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# Optimization of a routine method for bone marrow dose estimation in $^{177}\text{Lu}$ - EDTMP therapy Experience in Uruguay.

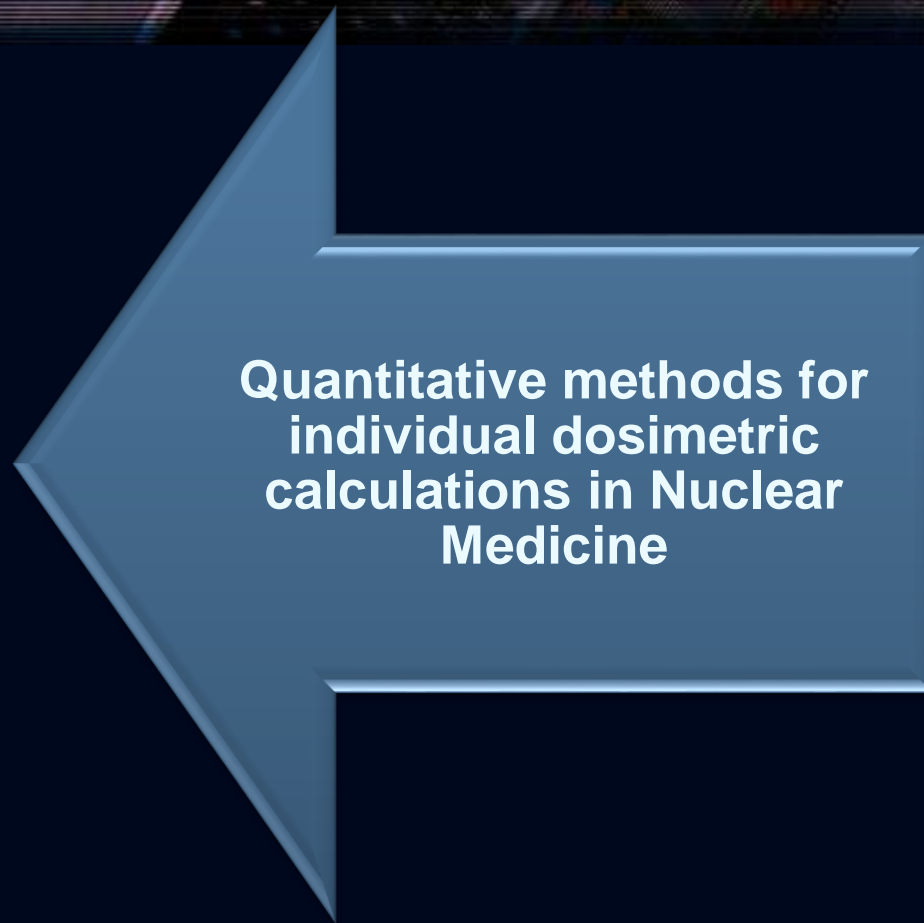
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**Development of  
Quantitative Nuclear  
Medicine Imaging For  
Patient Specific Dosimetry  
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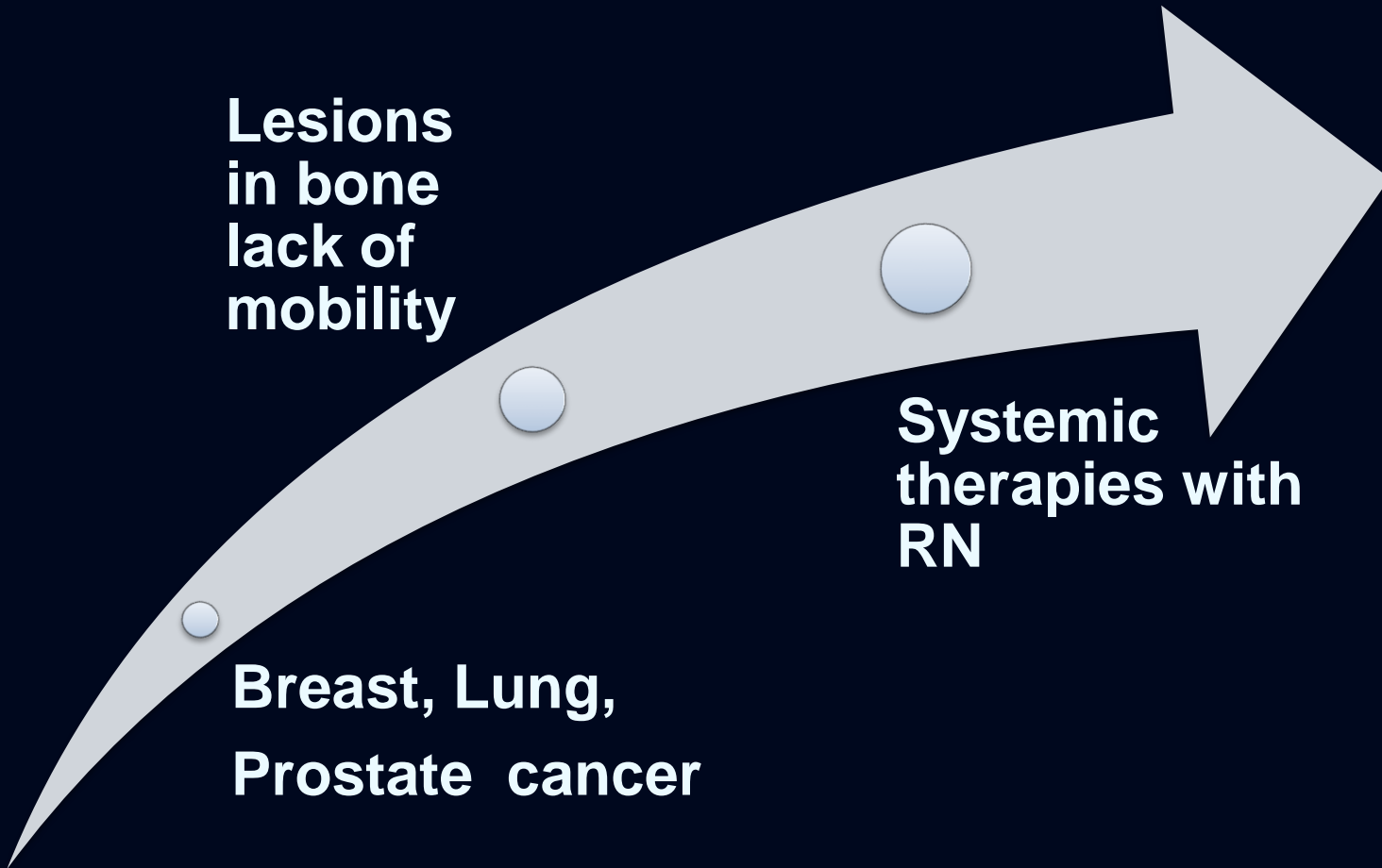
**Quantitative methods for  
individual dosimetric  
calculations in Nuclear  
Medicine**

**Lesions  
in bone  
lack of  
mobility**

**Dose  
estimation**

**Systemic  
therapies with  
RN**

**Breast, Lung,  
Prostate cancer**



# Bone Marrow

**Avoid  
toxicity**

**Critical  
Organ in  
RNT**

**~ 5 % of  
total  
body  
weight**

# Objective

To optimize an image  
quantification method  
to improve bone  
marrow and whole-body  
dosimetry in  $^{177}\text{Lu}$   
EDTMP

To improve therapy and  
patient protection in  
Uruguay.

# Materials & Methods

## Mediso Gamma Camera

2 heads

3/8 ", rectangular field

medium energy collimator

matrix 128 x 128

window centered in the peak of energy ( $\pm 15\%$ )

92.5 MBq (2.5 mCi) mean tracer dose

# Materials & Methods

## AP and PA whole body images acquisition

The first images at 1 without patient micturition

100% of injected activity



After patient micturition  
at 6, 24, 48 hours post administration

Scattering corrections triple-energy-window (TEW) method ( $\pm 15\%$ ).



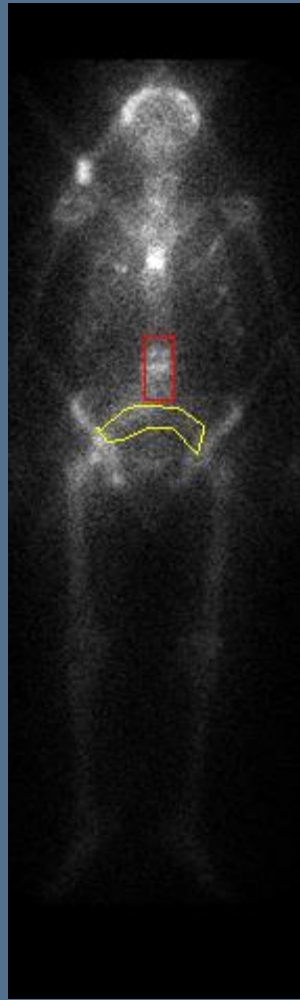
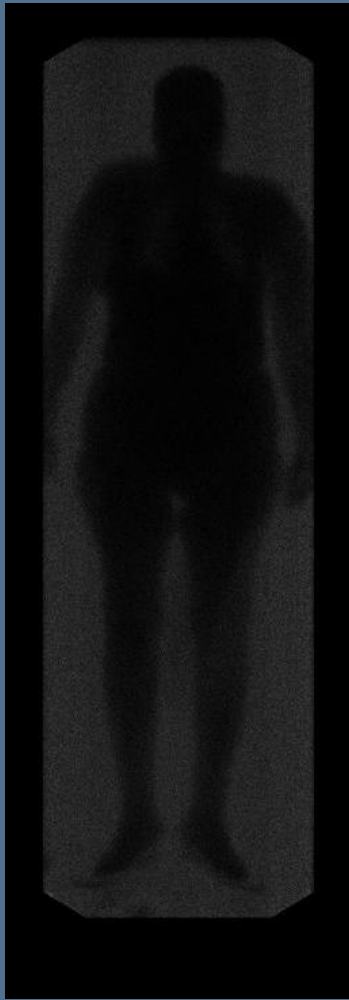
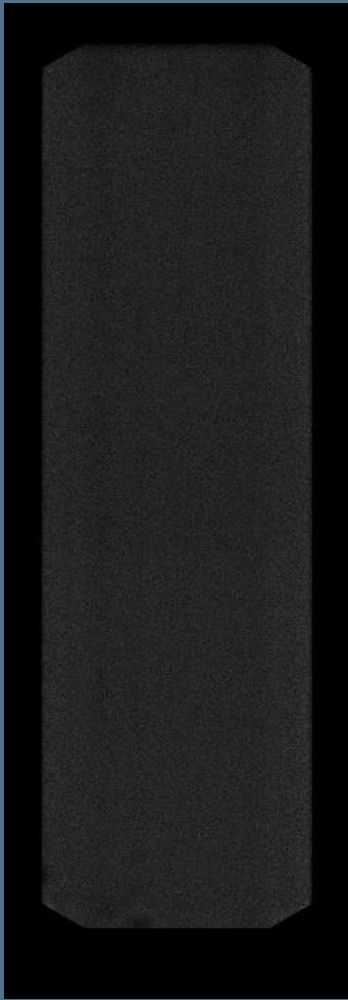
Individual patient attenuation correction

$^{57}\text{Co}$  flood source

Flood  
Source  $^{57}\text{Co}$

Flood  
Source +  
patient

Patient +  
tracer dose

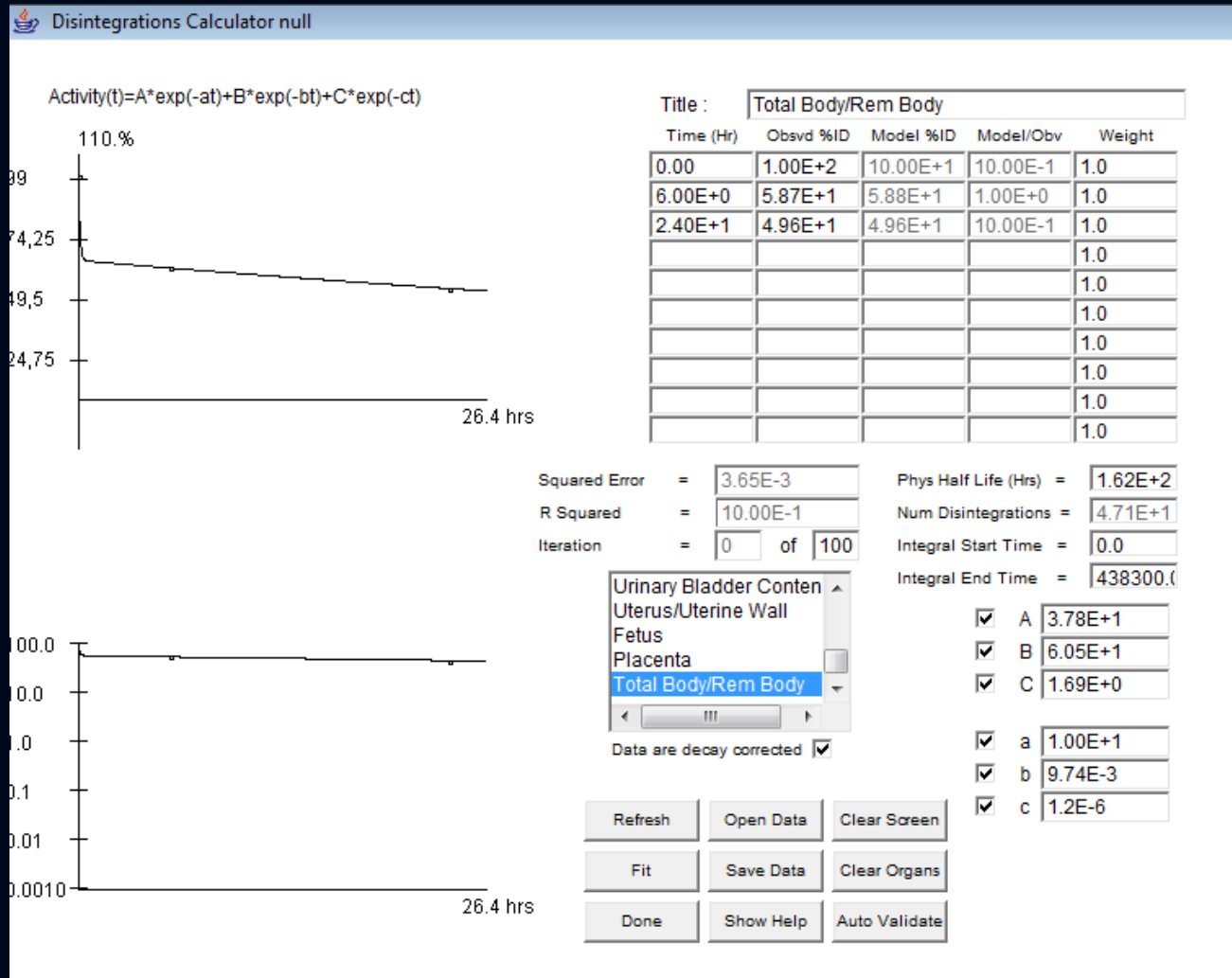


$$C = \sqrt{\frac{I_a I_p}{e^{-\mu d}}} \times \frac{1}{S}$$

*Siegl et al*



Percentages of reminding activity in the same ROIs and WB were plotted at each time point in OLINDA/EXM to determine the absorbed dose in red marrow.



# Results

Mean bone marrow dose


$0.95 \pm 0.2$  mGy/MBq

Mean whole body doses  $0.19 \pm 0.07$   
mSv/MBq

Rapid urinary elimination of the  
radiopharmaceutical.

# Conclusions

There is still too much work to be done ...



More cases to get statistically relevant data

More time points to clearly establish the uptake and elimination phases

Method efficient, easy to implement in routine and reliable to guarantee adequate bone marrow dose estimation before therapy with radionuclides.

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# Muchas gracias

