FUSION BIOPSY + STANDARD BIOPSY IN NAÏVE PATIENTS: PRELIMINARY RESULTS



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AIM OF THE STUDY

- For men undergoing initial biopsy with elevated PSA, prostate cancer detection rates are approximately 40–45% for the systematic 12-core SB
- MRI/TRUS fusion biopsy (FB) might allow to avoid unnecessary biopsy cores improving diagnostic accuracy
- Aim of this study was to evaluate the performance of standard biopsy and fusion biopsy in a cohort of biopsy naïve patients



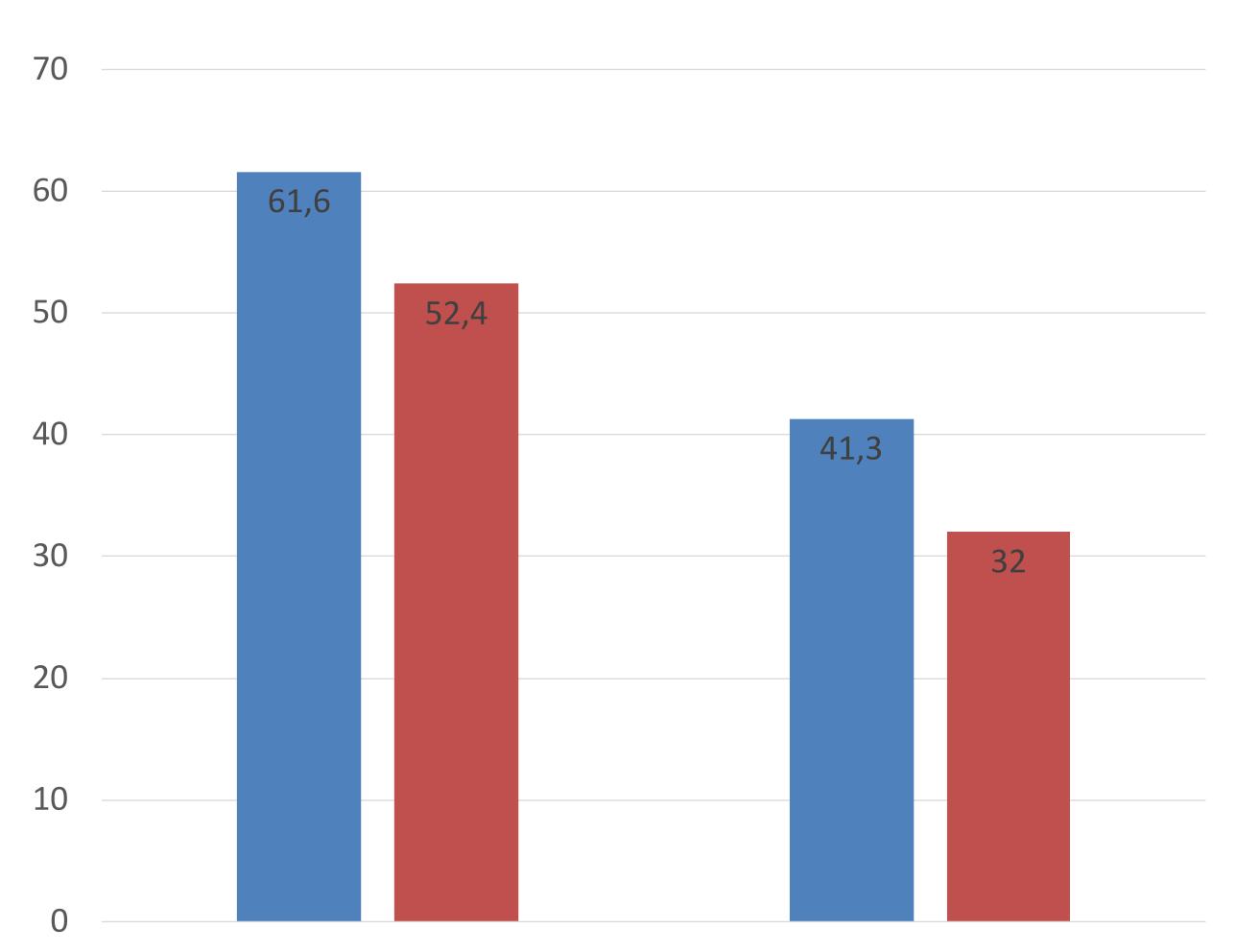
- 225 patients were included
- The overall DR of FB was 61.6%, with a DR of CS-PCa of 52.4%
- The overall DR of SB was 41.3%, with a DR of CS-PCa of 32.0%.
- 50 patients (22.2%) had a positive FB with negative SB. The DR of CS PCa was 53.33%
- 13 patients (5.7%) had a negative FB with positive SB. The DR of CS PCa was 3.1%

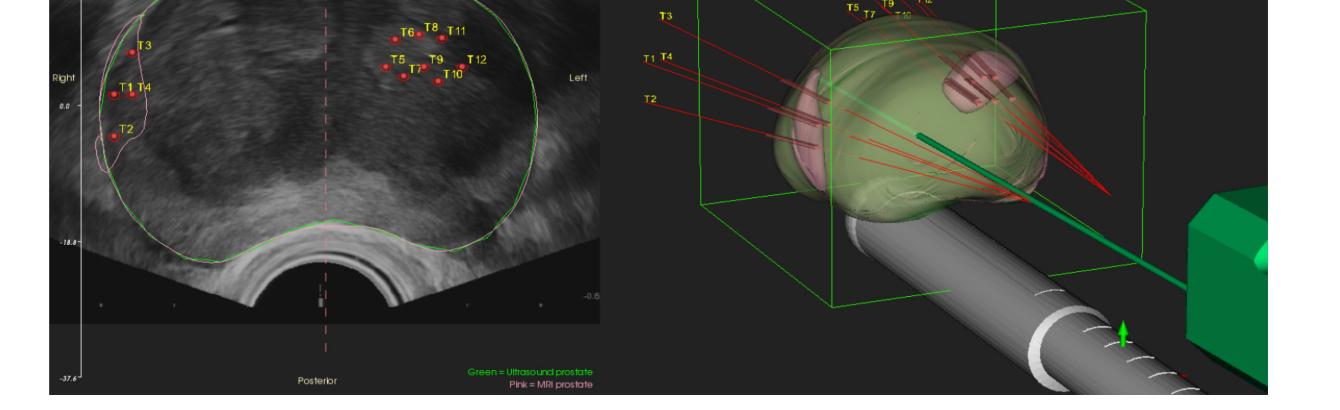
in terms of overall and clinically significant (CS) PCa diagnosis

MATERIAL METHODS :

- We extracted from our prospectively maintained database the biopsy naïve patients who underwent SB + FB
- The inclusion criteria were: no previous prostate biopsy, age ≤75 yr, PSA level 4-15 ng/ml, negative DRE, examination with mpMRI
- Three MRI-blinded urologists performed a 12-cores SB in all patients, then the Biojet software was activated and the same urologists performed the targeted biopsies of the PIRADS > 3 index lesions (4 cores in case of < 8 mm lesion; 6 cores in case of > 8 mm lesion)
- The overall detection rate (DR) and CS-PCa DR were evaluated

In 83 (36.8%) patients, both FB and SB were positive. In this cohort, the SB revealed a Gleason score upgrading in 2 (2.4%) patients only.





Overall DR CS-Pca

FB



CONCLUSIONS:

- When highly suspicious MRI lesions were targeted, the great majority of cancers found were clinically significant, and few were insignificant
- On biopsy naïve patients, the SB allowed to increase the overall PCa and the CS PCa DRs diagnosed by FB alone of 5.7% and 3.1% respectively
- A prospective randomized comparative study is mandatory in order to validate these preliminary results

