

#### **Breast Cancer Screening**

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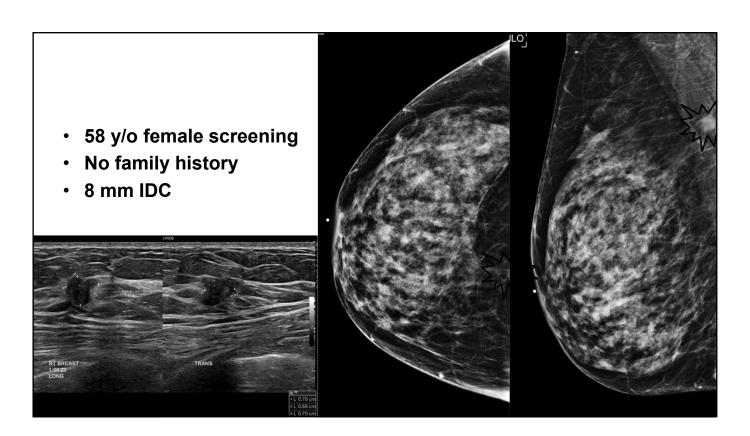
- Screening for Breast Cancer is Important
- Breast Cancer Screening Tools
- How to Screen
- Risk Assessments and High-Risk Groups
- Breast Density Matters
- Future Directions

#### **Breast Cancer Screening Matters**

- Breast Cancer is the #1 most common cancer among women worldwide
- Estimated 310,000+ new invasive cases expected in the US with 42,000+ deaths in 2024
- Localized breast cancer has 5 year survival of 99%
- Screening mammography leads to 20-40% reduction in breast cancer mortality
- Early Detection → improved outcomes, improved treatment options, improved quality of life

#### **Lifetime Breast Cancer Risk**

- 1 in 8 women in the US will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their lifetime
- Risk of breast cancer risk increases with age
- Most women diagnosed with breast cancer have no family history or known genetic predisposition
- Some groups can have higher incidence rates or worse outcomes
  - African American Women tend to be diagnosed at a younger age with more aggressive subtypes and higher mortality rates

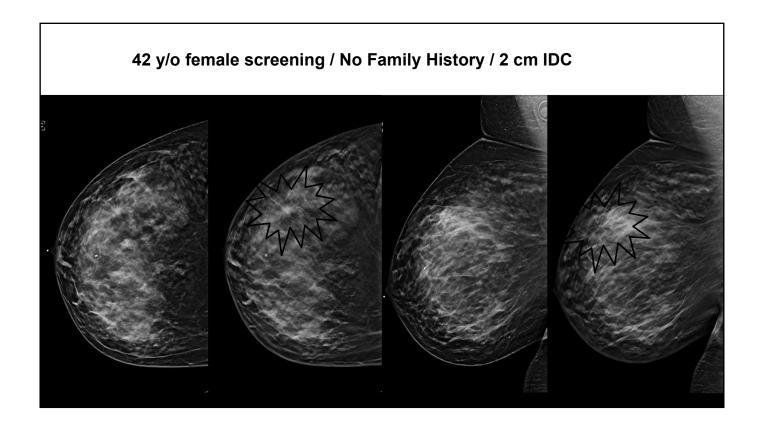


# **Breast Cancer Screening Tools**

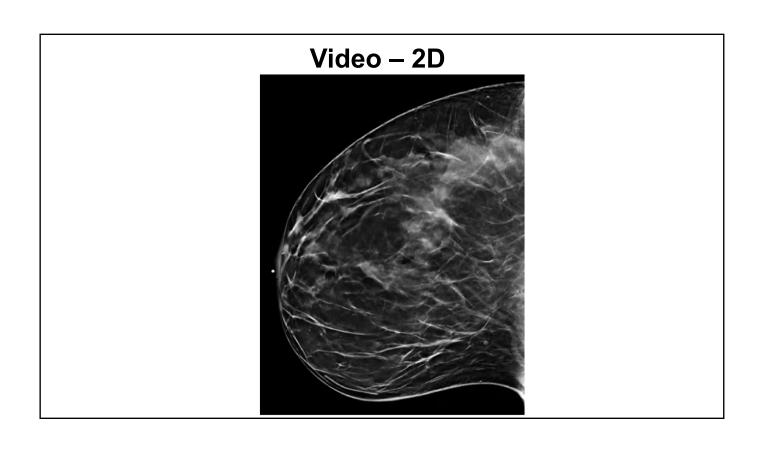
- Screening performance depends on appropriate screening methodology
- Quality matters!
- Mammography
  - · Gold standard, proven mortality benefit
- · Breast Ultrasound
  - Supplements mammography in dense breasts
- Breast MRI
  - · Highest sensitivity, for high-risk patients
- Newer Modalities
  - Contrast Enhanced Mammography (CEM)

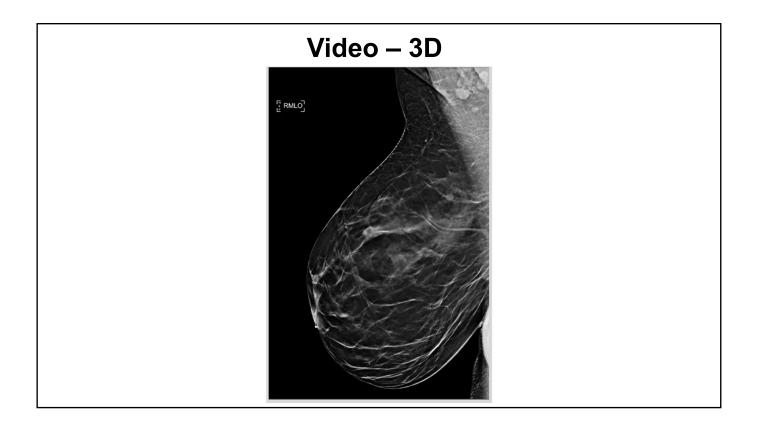
#### **Screening Mammography**

- Gold standard for breast cancer screening
- Proven to reduce breast cancer mortality
- 20-40% reduction in mortality
- Widely available and familiar to patients
- Tomosynthesis / 3D (DBT) mammograms improve cancer detection rate AND reduce recall rate (false positives rate)
- Limitations: reduced sensitivity in dense breasts

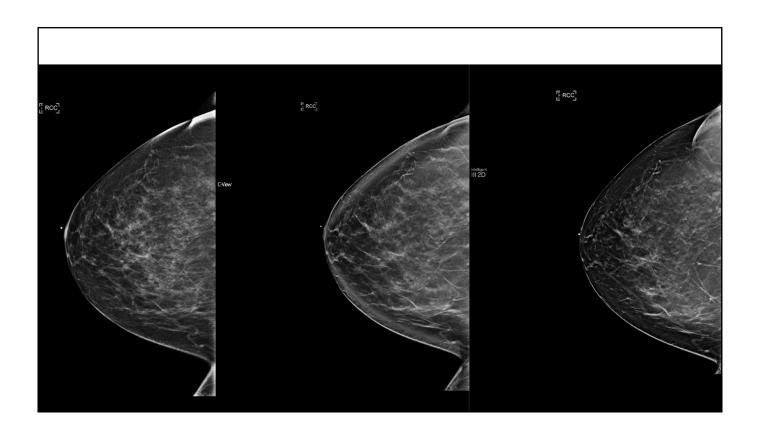


# 47 y/o female Screening No Family History 6 mm IDC



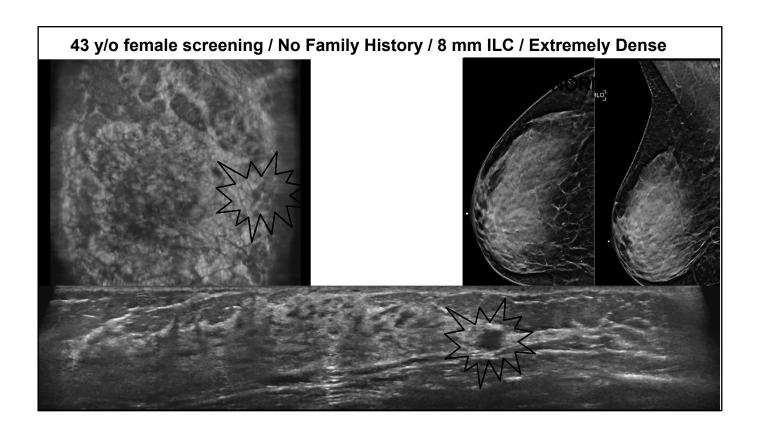






# **Screening Breast Ultrasound**

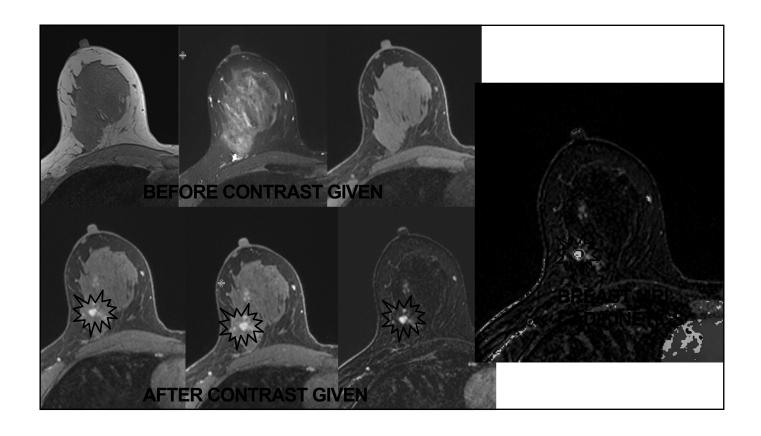
- Primarily supplemental tool for women with dense breasts
- Ultrasound not impacted by dense breasts
- Well tolerated no IV or radiation
- Finds cancers missed by mammography in dense breasts
- Limitations: MRI finds significantly more breast cancers than US
- Limitations: False positives



# **Screening Breast MRI**

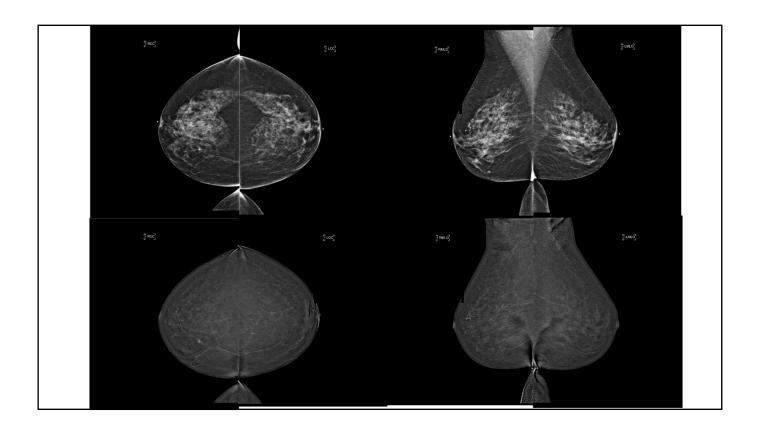
- Supplemental tool for women at high risk
- Highest sensitivity for breast cancer detection
- Identifies an additional 10-15 cancers per 1000
- Used in conjunction with screening mammography
- Do not need screening US and screening MRI
  - MRI will find the cancers that would be seen under US
- Limitations: cost, contrast, claustrophobia

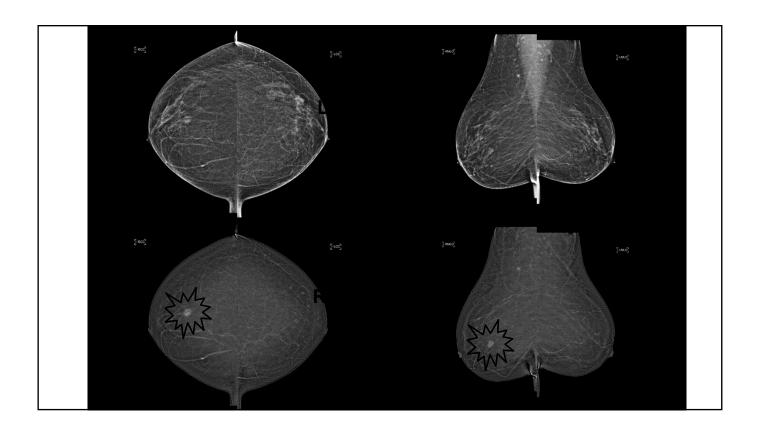
# 50 y/o female screening / Family History Risk > 20% / Het Dense Breasts



#### **CEM – Contrast Enhanced Mammo**

- · New(er) tool for breast imaging
- Uses Mammography modality but with ability to acquire high and low energy images
- Administer IV iodinated contrast (like CT)
- Functional exam generates recombined images like subtraction images
- · Evolving use in breast imaging
  - · Diagnostic, trouble shooting, extent of disease, etc
  - Contraindication to MRI for high risk maybe more frequent use





# **Breast Cancer Screening Guideline**

- American College of Radiology (ACR) and Society of Breast Imaging (SBI):
- Risk assessment by age 25
- Annual Mammography start at age 40
- Annual Mammography continues past age 74
  - No upper age limit unless comorbidities limit life expectancy
- Patients should be allowed to weigh benefits and risks when deciding to screen

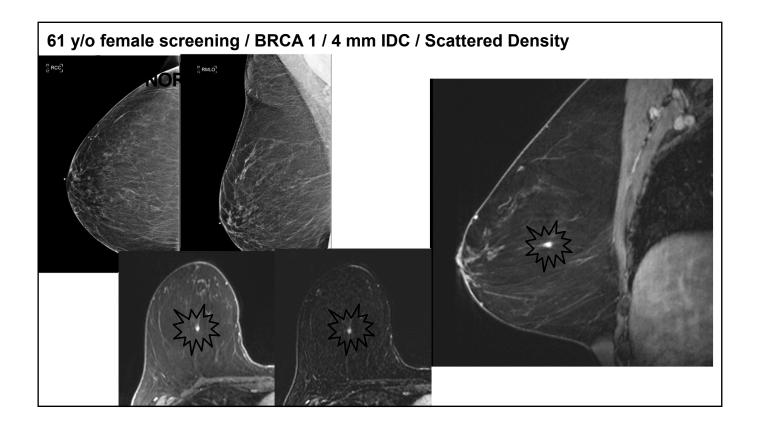
#### **Breast Cancer Screening Confusion**

- ACR/SBI and USPSTF and American Cancer Society all agree most lives saved with annual screening
- Certain groups of women such as black women, Ashkenazi Jewish women and some other minorities develop breast cancer before age 50 at a higher rate than non-Hispanic white women
- Essential to determine who is high risk before screening needed (assess risk by age 25)
- Annual screening at age 40 saves most lives

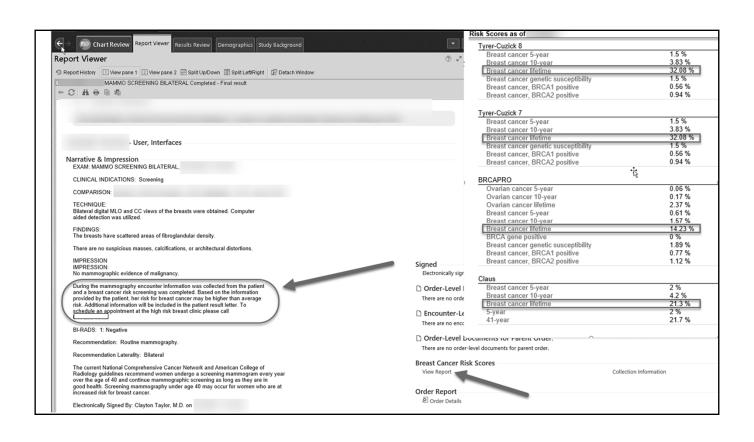
#### **Breast Cancer Higher Risk Populations**

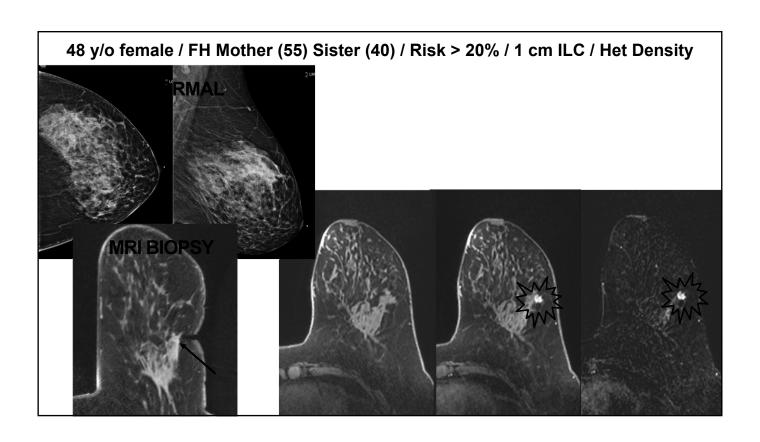
- Genetic Mutation Carriers
- Calculated lifetime risk > 20%
- Personal history of chest radiation while young
- Personal history of breast cancer
- History of atypia/LCIS
- Dense breast tissue

- Genetic Mutation Carriers (untested 1<sup>st</sup> relatives)
- ATM, **BRCA1/BRCA2**, BARD1, CDH1, CHEK2, NF1, PALB2, PTEN, RAD51C/D, STK11, TP53
- Annual Mammography at age 30
- Annual MRI at age 25

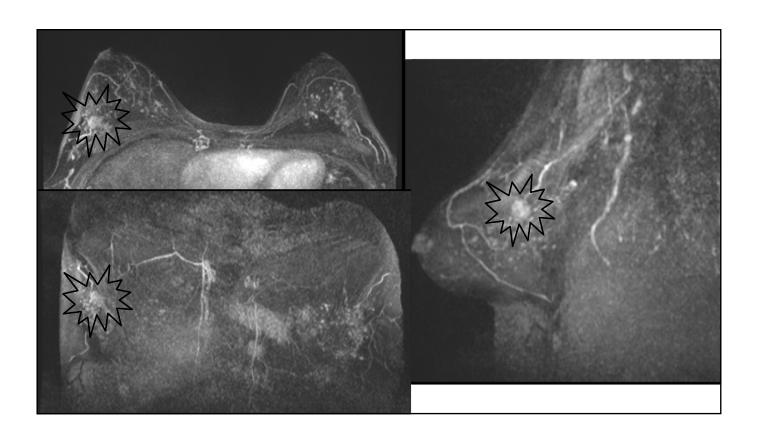


- Calculated lifetime risk > 20%
- Tyrer-Cuzick (v8)
  - · Likely most accurate
  - Includes breast density
- BRCAPRO, BOADICIEA, BCSC, Gail
- Annual Mammography at age 30
- Annual MRI at age 30

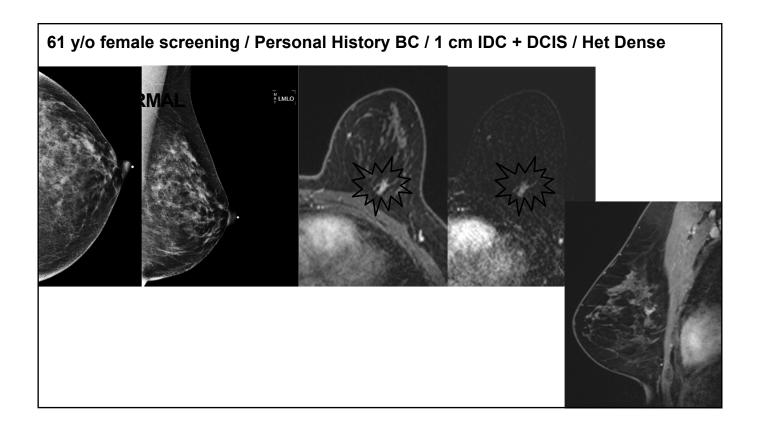




- · Personal history of chest radiation while young
- Radiation that includes chest/breast prior to age 30
- Most breast cancers are seen in the upper outer breast as well as the lower inner breast within the mantle field
- Annual Mammography and MRI
- Start age 25 or 8 years after radiation therapy



- Personal history of breast cancer and dense breast tissue
- Personal history of breast cancer diagnosed before age 50
- Heterogeneous group age of diagnosis, subtypes, treatment, hormone therapy – will impact risk.
- Annual Mammogram and Annual Breast MRI

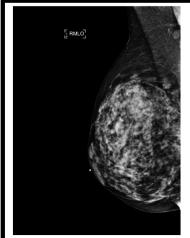


- Breast density determined by mammography
- BI-RADS Lexicon Breast Density Categories
  - The breasts are almost entirely fatty
  - · There are scattered areas of fibroglandular density
  - The breasts are heterogeneously dense, which may obscure small masses
  - The breasts are extremely dense, which lowers the sensitivity of mammography

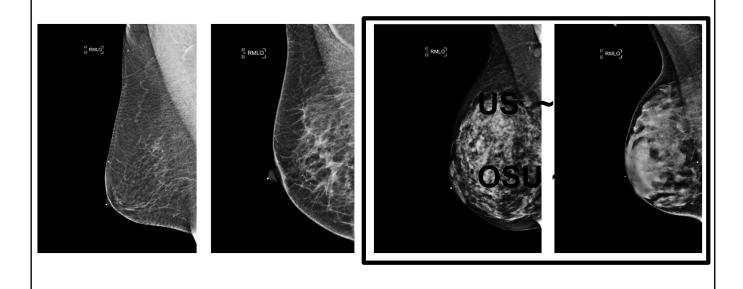
#### **Breast Density**





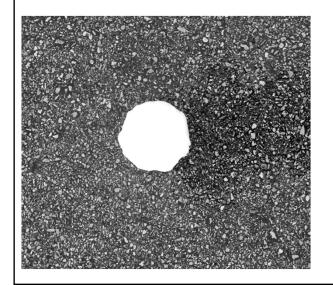


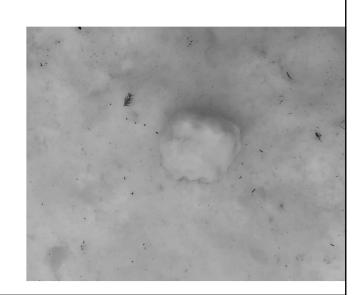




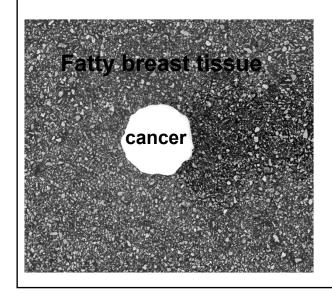
#### **Breast Density - Masking**

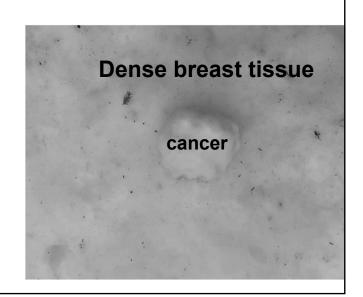
- As breast density increases mammographic sensitivity decreases
- Dense breast tissue and breast cancer are similar density on mammography, overlap causes masking
- Challenging and sometimes impossible to find breast cancers in dense breasts
- Like trying to find a snowball in a snowstorm...

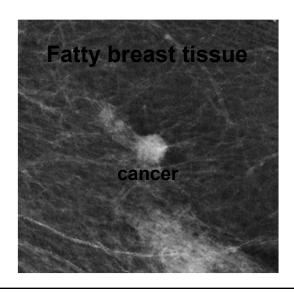


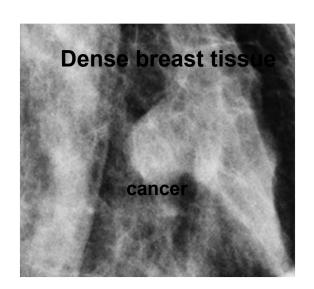


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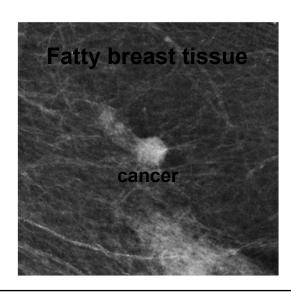


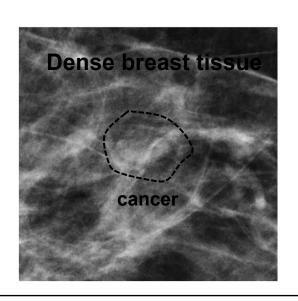


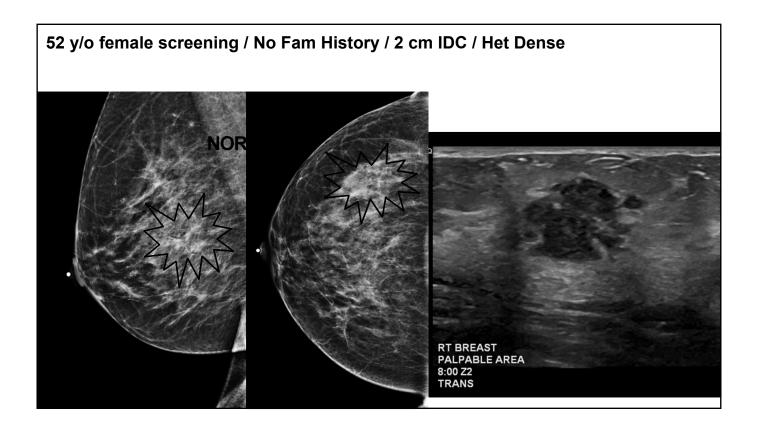




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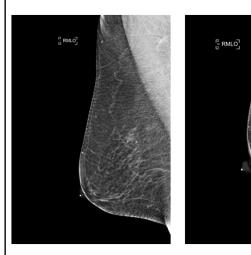




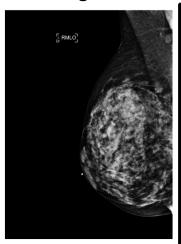


#### **Breast Density - Risk**

- Women with dense breasts are at elevated risk for breast cancer
- Risk for breast cancer increases as density increases
- Studied heavily with relative risk typically found to be around four-fold increase between extremes in density
- Differences in risk comparing extreme densities are large
- Differences in risk comparing similar densities are smaller



Extremely Dense Breasts:
Much lower sensitivity
Much higher risk of breast cancer
Much higher risk of interval cancer



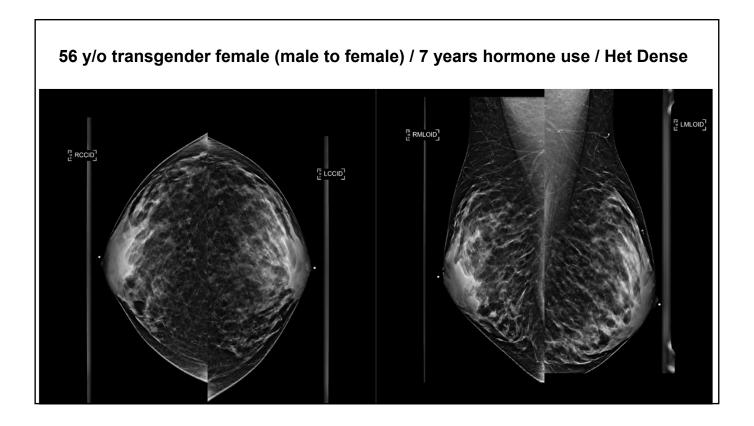


#### **Dense Breast Screening**

- Dense breasts increase risk of breast cancer and increase chance of missing breast cancer on mammography
- Can supplement annual mammography (3D) with:
- Screening US (Handheld or Automated (ABUS))
  - Well tolerated, no IV / Finds fewer cancer, false +
- Screening Breast MRI with contrast
  - Finds the most cancers / More expensive, requires IV

# **Transgender Breast Cancer Screening**

- Transfeminine (male to female) patients
  - 40+ y/o and 5 years hormone use
    - Annual Mammography
- Transmasculine (female to male) patients
  - Bilateral Mastectomies (top surgery)
    - No imaging
  - 40+ y/o and reduction mammoplasty/no surgery
    - Annual Mammography
    - · If high risk can add Annual MRI



# **Breast Cancer Screening Stats**

- What should you expect?
- Data from NMD 2008-2021
- Screening Mammography
- Recall Rate 10%
- CDR 4.2 per 1000
- PPV of callback 4.2%
- PPV of biopsy 25.8%

Screening Workup

- 1. Screening Mammogram
- Recall from Screening
   Additional Mammogram
   Breast Ultrasound
- Breast BiopsyUS or Stereotactic Biopsy

# **Future of Breast Cancer Screening**

- AI, AI, AI
  - Cancer Detection
  - Decision Support / Triage
  - Image Acquisition / Image Augmentation
  - Risk Assessment
- Further Personalized Screening
  - CEM (Contrast Enhanced Mammography)
  - Abbreviated Breast MRI

# **Breast Cancer Screening Strategy**

- Patient high risk? Evaluate risk by age 25
  - HIGH RISK SCREENING (Annual Mammo + MRI)
- Patient over 40 and not high risk?
  - ANNUAL MAMMOGRAPHY (3D)
- Patient with Dense Breasts?
  - Consider supplemental screening

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