



BREAST CONSERVATION, RADIATION AND ONCOPLASTIC SURGERY: WHAT TO EXPECT

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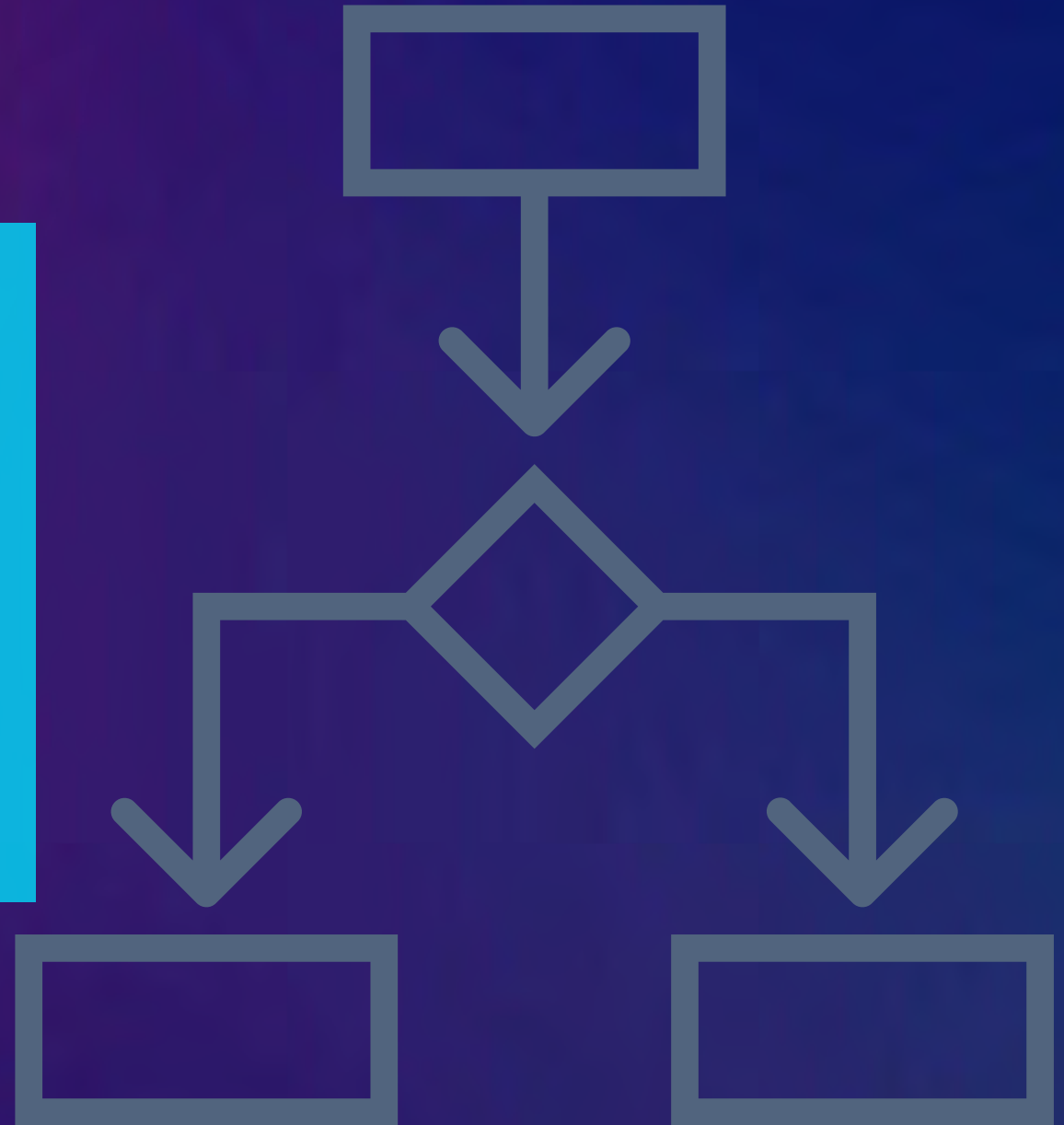
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GLOBAL OBJECTIVE

To review the relationship between radiation and oncoplastic surgery and their effects on aesthetic outcomes for patients with breast cancer.





PRESENTATION OBJECTIVES

- 1. Review the basic principles of oncoplastic breast surgery**
- 2. Describe the challenges that oncoplastic surgery can present for radiation planning**
- 3. Explain the relationship between oncoplastic surgery, radiation, and aesthetic outcomes**

WHAT IS ONCOPLASTIC SURGERY, ANYWAY??



A LITTLE ART

Development of an
aesthetic eye



SPECIFIC TECHNIQUES

Volume Displacement
vs. Volume Replacement
Level I vs. Level II



A LOT OF SCIENCE

Decades of research
demonstrate oncologic
safety



A MINDSET

Considering the whole
patient, not just their
disease

LEVEL I VS. LEVEL II PROCEDURES

LEVEL I: <20% BREAST VOLUME
EXCISED

- Local tissue rearrangement
- Crescent mastopexy
- Round block mastopexy

LEVEL II:
20 – 50% BREAST VOLUME
EXCISED

- Pedicle based
- Circumvertical mastopexy
- Reduction mammoplasty

CASE SCENARIO

57 year-old female

- **Diagnosis:**
 - Right breast triple negative IDC
 - Grade 3, + LVSI, Ki67 60%
 - cT1cN0
 - ypT1cN0
- Pre op asymmetry noted
- Desired balancing procedure

CHEMO

Neoadjuvant dose dense AC -> T x 4 cycles

Adjuvant capecitabine x 8 cycles

SURGERY

Right seed localized lumpectomy and sentinel node biopsy

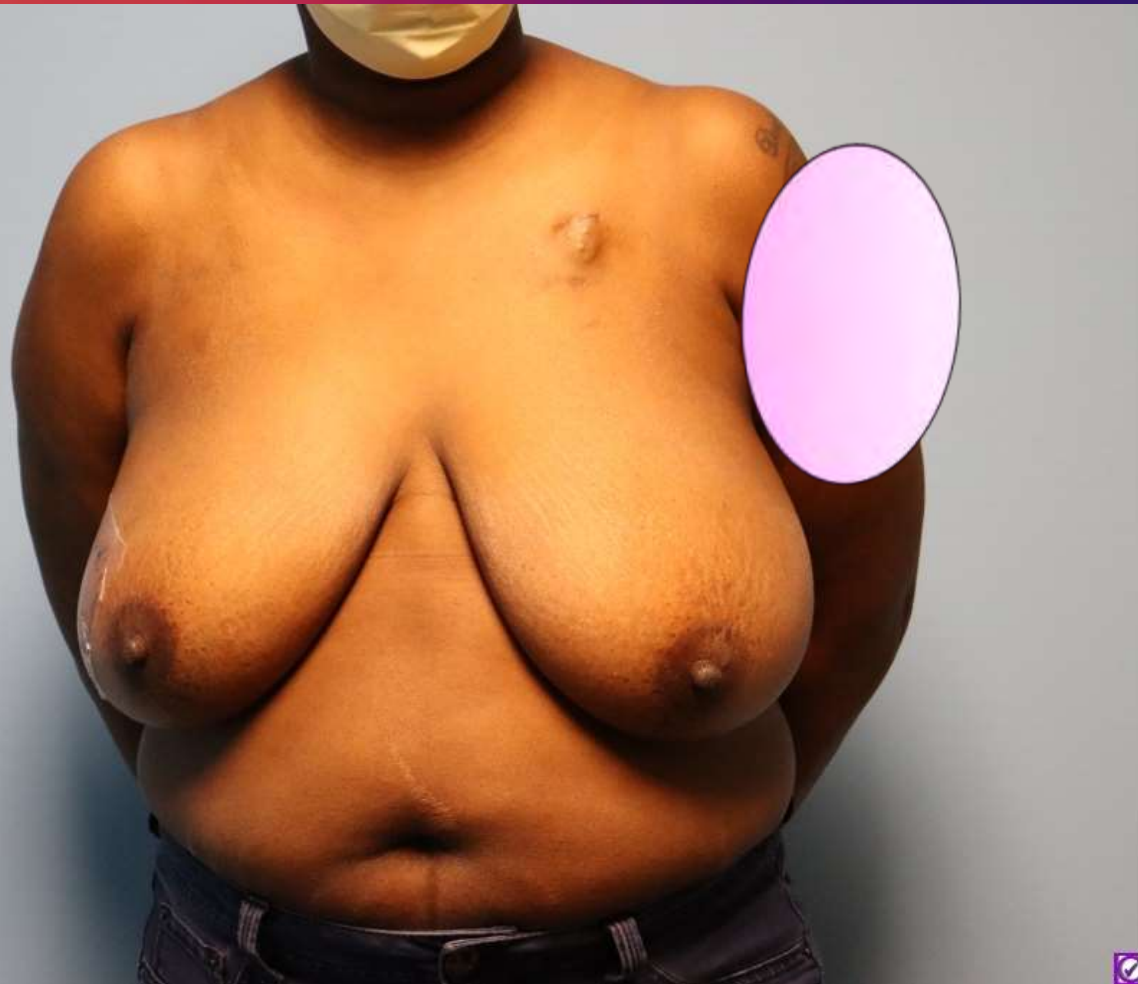
Bilateral breast reduction

RADIATION

Adjuvant WBRT

4256 cGy in 16 fractions

PRE-OPERATIVE



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CHALLENGES FOR RADIATION



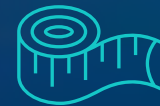
TUMOR BED

Seroma cavity is not always reliable
Surgeons must mark the tumor bed intra-op



MARGINS

Lower positive margin rates
Can generally re-excise



VOLUME LOSS

Can be a challenge to accurately predict



WOUND HEALING

Larger incisions, moving nipple around, large tissue flaps may delay healing



RETHINK THE SEROMA AND SCAR

- Scar does not indicate tumor location
- Does not reliably mark the tumor cavity
- May have multiple sites of seroma formation
- May have little to no seroma

MARKING OPTIONS

- Clips
- Implantable devices
- Radio-opaque suture material



MARGINS

WHEN DO WE RE-EXCISE?

- Invasive disease = no ink on tumor
- DCIS = 2mm
- Consideration of margin width and omission of radiation

RE-EXCISION

- Margin positivity rate lower in OPS cases
- Almost always possible without moving to mastectomy
- May need to take down pedicle or local flap to find cavity
- Multiple positive margins or repeat re-excisions may require mastectomy



CAN WE PREDICT?

- 10-15% volume loss historical estimate
- Studies on autologous flap volume loss suggest 20-25% is more accurate

HOW AND WHEN DO WE MANAGE ASYMMETRY?

- Perform contralateral balancing procedure at time of cancer surgery
 - 6% revision rate for symmetry at 5 years (MD Anderson)
- Revise the non-irradiated breast
- Fat grafting to the radiated breast
- At least 1 year post radiation
 - The longer the better



WOUND HEALING

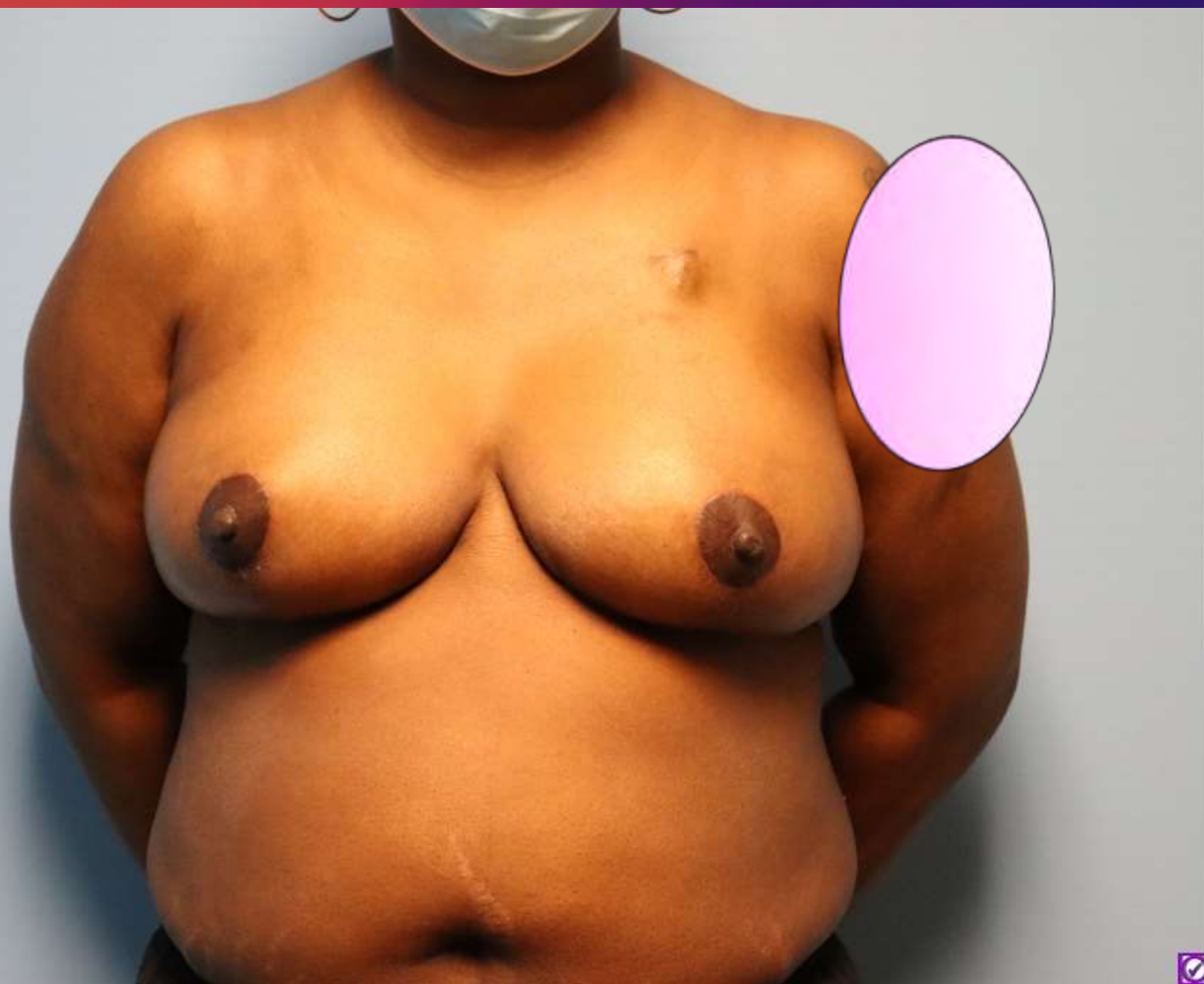
IS THIS A REAL CONCERN?

- Complication rates are higher than standard BCS
- Complications usually occur prior to radiation
- Multiple studies show no significant delay to radiation in OPS cases

COMMON PITFALLS

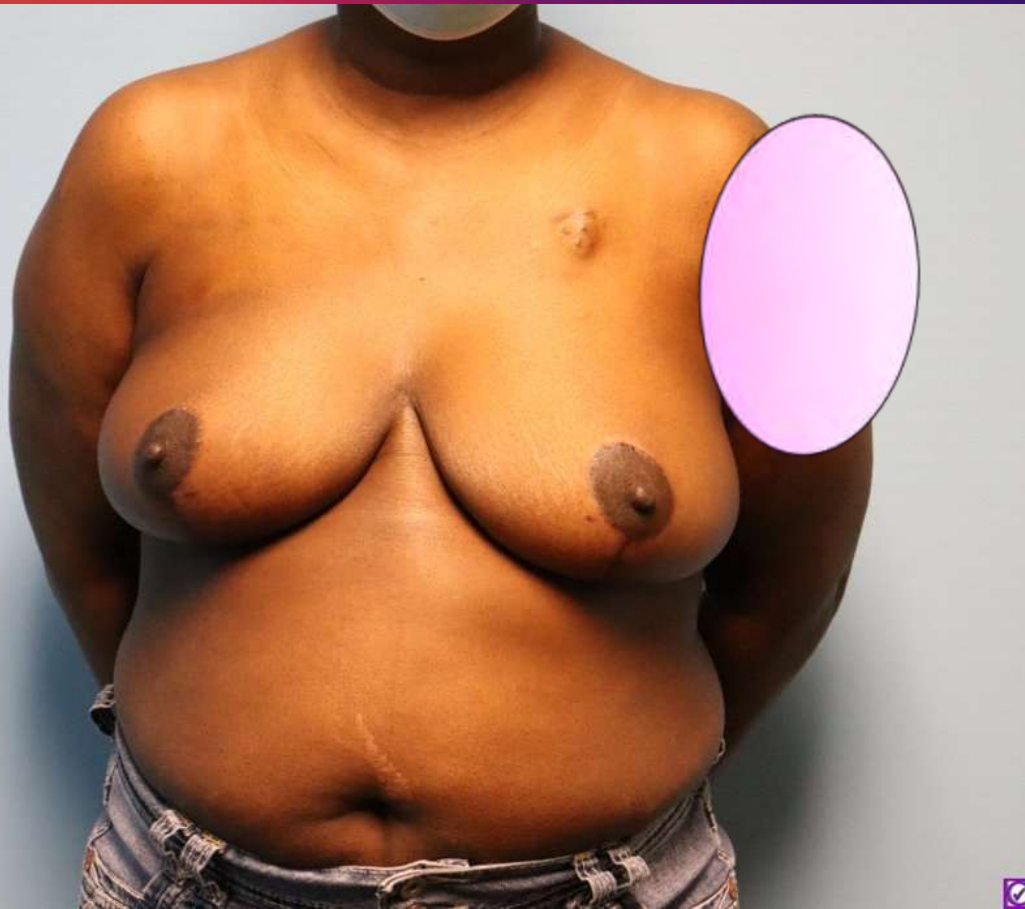
- T junction dehiscence with wise pattern reduction incision
- Contralateral breast rarely an issue

IMMEDIATE POST-OPERATIVE



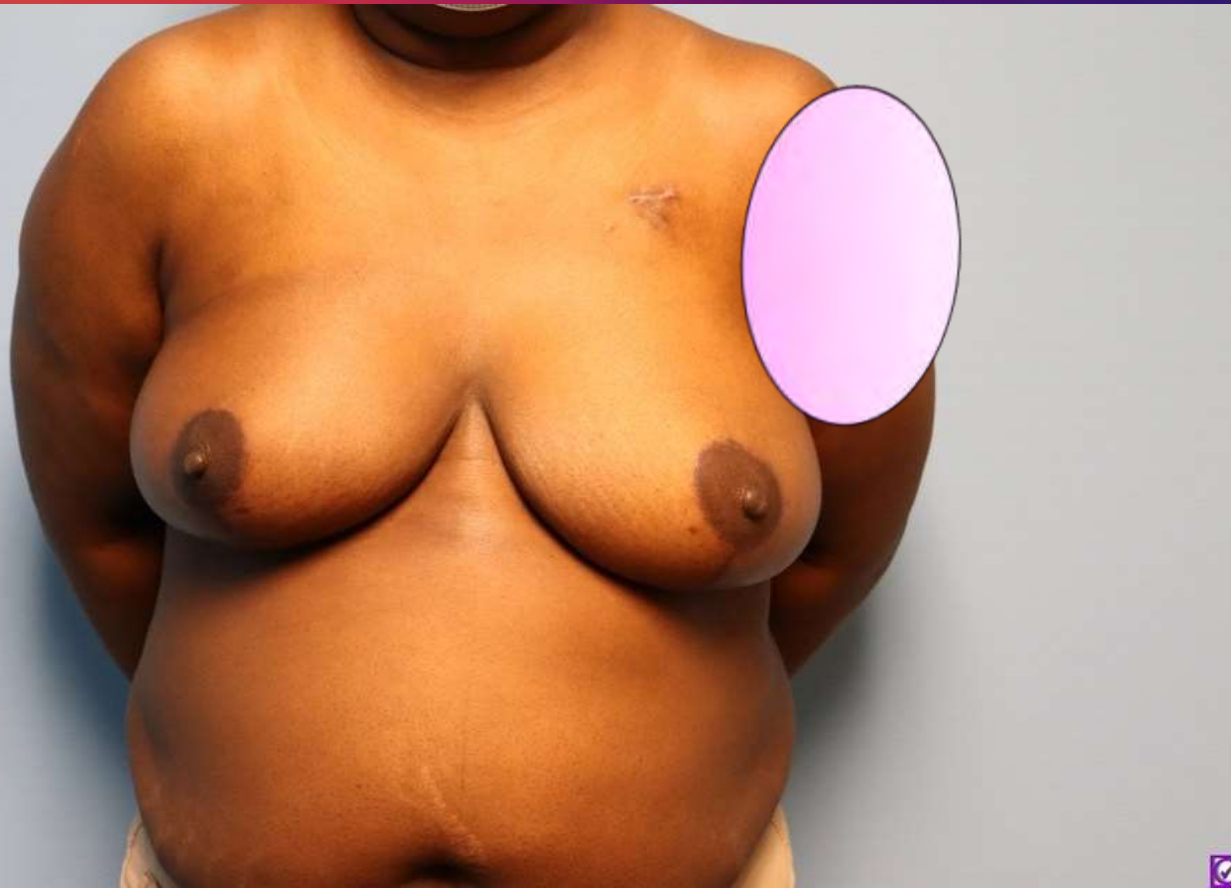
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3 MONTHS POST RADIATION



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9 MONTHS POST RADIATION



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SUMMARY

- Radiation affects oncoplastic outcomes
- Oncoplastic surgery affects radiation outcomes
- Best oncologic and aesthetic outcomes are not mutually exclusive
- Careful planning and multidisciplinary approach are key for achieving patient care goals



THANK YOU

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