

# Towards Correlation of Clinical Outcomes with Radiation Therapy Dose Distributions

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# Goals

Correlating clinical outcomes with refined dose distributions on critical structures

## Goals:

- To refine the datasets and infrastructure required for predicting clinical outcomes using past patient data.
- Make the first steps towards accurate toxicity and outcome predictions in a commercial, cloud computing platform.


# Importance and Relevance

With cancer treatments, there is a tradeoff between clinical **effectiveness** and deleterious **side effects**.

The ability to predict **clinical outcomes** for a particular patient (taking into account unique anatomy and condition) would allow oncologists to make more informed decisions regarding patient treatment plans.



60-90%  
Xerostomia



15-30%  
Dysphagia

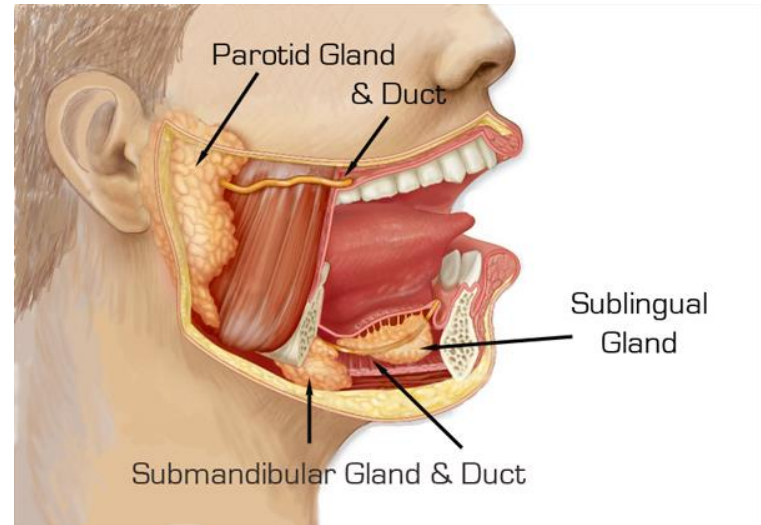


40-60%  
Hearing Loss

# Importance and Relevance

In Radiation Oncology for the Head and Neck region, one common side effect is **Dysphasia**, also known as swallowing dysfunction.

Dysphasia may be caused by excessive radiation applied to the **Parotid Glands**.



# Technical Summary

## 1. Set up development database within Hopkins network

- Store anonymized patient data, images and scans, and clinical outcomes
- Must be queryable and accessible by other services



# Technical Summary

## 2. Deformable registration of critical structures:

- Currently, we are looking in the head and neck region, specifically at the parotid glands
- The deformable registration would bring images into one reference frame

## 3. Dose distribution mapping

- Based on how dose is applied, generate a 3D map of received dose over the critical structure
- Partition the organ in a way to allow for insightful analytics

# Technical Summary

Contour data  
(binary masks)

3D mesh

Normalized mesh

Apply dose  
distribution

Commercially  
available  
deformable  
registration  
algorithm

**Project scope**

Machine learning  
algorithms

Correlation  
between treatment  
plans and clinical  
outcomes

**Future work**





# Deliverables

## Minimum

Set up queryable infrastructure with anonymized data

Implementation and testing deformable registration algorithm

## Expected

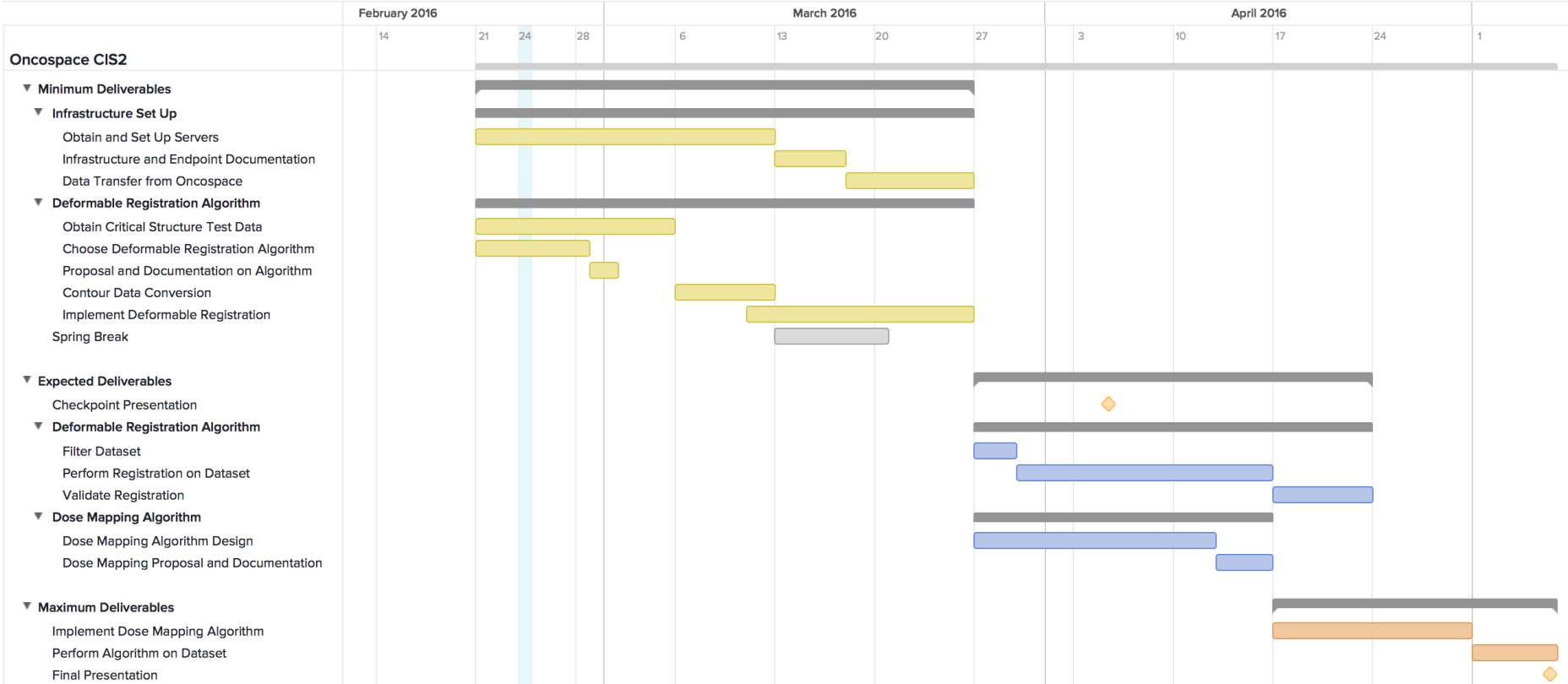
Implementation and validation of deformable registration algorithm on the dataset

Design dose mapping algorithm

## Maximum

Implement dose mapping algorithm

# Dates and Milestones



# Dependencies

Dependency	Status (or necessary date of resolution)
Access to deformable registration algorithm	In progress (Testing ITK packages)
Access to Oncospace database	In progress – will be complete by March 1
Access to space on Hopkins network	In progress – needed by March 6
Github repositories and access to Oncospace codebase	Complete

# Management Plan

Weekly meetings with mentors – Tuesdays at 9AM

Team meetings on Mondays and Fridays (and as needed)

**Alex**

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Design of development database and data migration

Testing and implementation of deformable registration algorithm

Design and testing of dose mapping algorithm

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