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WELCOME ELLIOT KOLIN, MD.

ELLIOT KOLIN, MD has been successfully recruited as Director of Radiology at Westside Medical Imaging. Dr. Kolin has published numerous articles in peer-reviewed journals. He is board certified and completed a fellowship in MRI/Body Imaging/Musculoskeletal Radiology at Cedars-Sinai. Dr. Kolin completed a four-year diagnostic imaging residency at Harbor-UCLA after a one year internship at the same institution. He received his Bachelors Degree at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) during which time he conducted cardiology research in collaboration with Boston University. He later attended the Mount Sinai School of Medicine where he received his Medical Degree. More recently, Dr. Kolin is joining the clinical faculty at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA as an Assistant Clinical Professor. He recently attended the International Symposium on Multidetector-Row CT in San Francisco.

In addition to his clinical responsibilities at Westside Medical Imaging, Dr. Kolin is involved in clinical research evaluating novel protocols for 64-slice CT body imaging.

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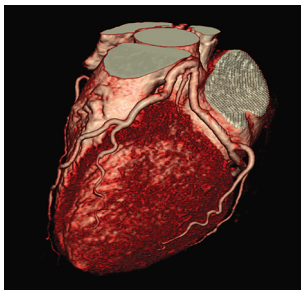


WMI PRESENTS AT AMERICAN HEART MEETING

Westside Medical Imaging (WMI) and The Westside Medical Associates of Los Angeles announce that their research findings on the utility of 64-slice Cardiac CT imaging were presented by Drs. Norman Lepor and Hooman Madyoon at the American Heart Association Scientific Sessions 2006. These research studies results show the benefits of CT coronary angiography over coronary calcium scoring in the ability to detect significant blockages in the coronary arteries.

CT LUNG CANCER SCREENING

Westside Medical Imaging (WMI) has been performing life-saving lung cancer screening exams using their 64-slice state of the art CT scanner since this technology became available. The potential benefits of screening those with significant smoking history and prolonged exposure to second hand smoke for lung masses were published in a recent New England Journal of Medicine report from the International Early Lung Cancer Action Program Investigators (N England J Med 2006;355;1763-71).

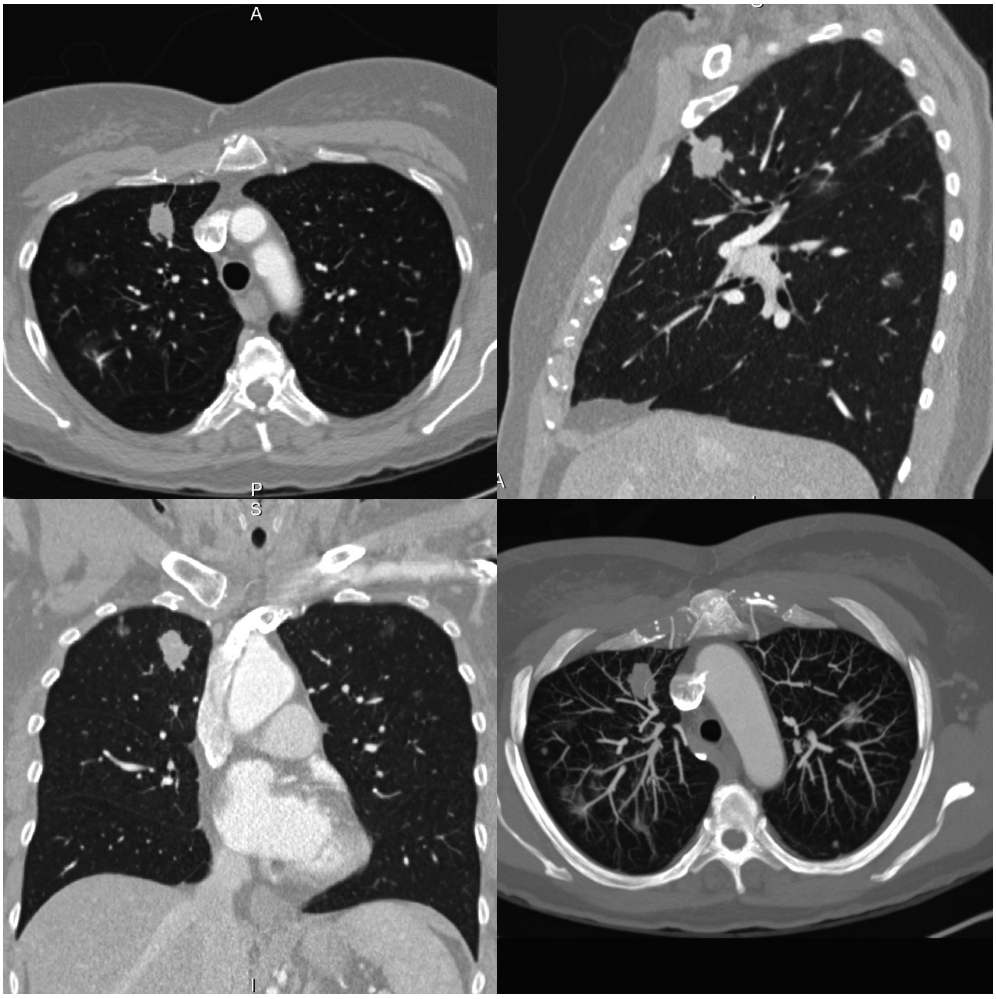
Because most lung cancers are found in the later stages, approximately 95% of those who are diagnosed with lung cancer die from it. Westside Medical Imaging has developed proprietary CT imaging protocols allowing for 3-dimensional imaging of the lung structures to enhance the ability to find these often difficult to detect malignancies. According to WMI physicians Drs. Norman Lepor, Hooman Madyoon, Michael Duffy, Ivor Geft and Jay Rudin, CT screening is superior to routine chest-x-rays in being able to detect curable cancers.

CASE STUDY

CT ENHANCES LUNG CANCER SCREENING

COMMENTS:

A 62 year old asymptomatic woman presented for a 64-slice CT lung scan. She had smoked for 30 years, but quit 15 years prior to her CT scan. Previous chest x-rays were normal. Images were interpreted on state of the art 3D workstation enabling high resolution axial (A), sagittal (B), and coronal views (C) of the 2.5 cm mass. The multiplane views clearly localize the mass to the anterior segment of the right upper lobe. Maximum intensity projection (MIP) images separate vessels from abnormal masses and nodules (D). The patient subsequently underwent successful resection for branchoalveolar carcinoma of the lung.



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