

# A Body Mass Index-Based Method for Size-Specific Dose Estimates (SSDE) in Adults

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### INTRODUCTION

- This study compares the relationship of size-specific dose estimates of multi-site CT with BMI in the enrolled adult patients.
- At present, there are few approaches for CT examination related prospective detection of dose with relatively high
- The proposed method in our study can easily obtain BMIbased size-specific dose estimates prior to CT examination.

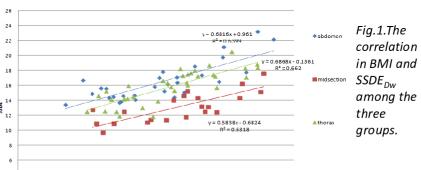
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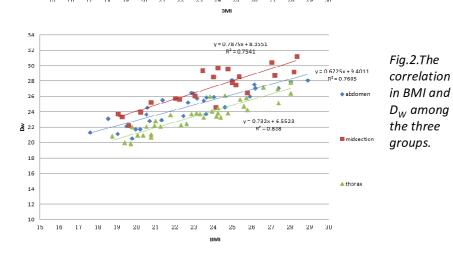
To propose a body mass index (BMI)-based method for sizespecific dose estimates (SSDE) during computed tomography (CT) examination in adults.

# **METHOD** A retrospective analysis was carried out by screening 87 cases without obvious abnormal imaging performance changes Group A with thorax scan, group B with midsection scan, and group C with total abdominal scan Collected cross-sectional area (A<sub>ROI</sub>, cm²) and mean CT value (CT<sub>ROI</sub>, HU), on the most intermediate layer within the scanning volume range of CT images Water equivalent diameter (Dw, cm) CTDIvol SSDE Statistical analysis

# **RESULTS**

- The selected patients were divided into three groups: group A with thorax scan, group B with midsection scan, and group C with total abdominal
- There was statistical significance in the difference of BMI and SSDE<sub>Dw</sub> as well as the correlation analysis among group A with thorax scan, group B with midsection scan, and group C with total abdominal scan (Table 1 and Figure 1).
- Statistical differences were also found in Dw,  $f_{\rm Dw}$ and SSDE<sub>Dw</sub> among the three groups (Table 2).
- · Besides, there was certain correlation of BMI with Dw and  $f_{Dw}$  (Figure 2 and Figure 3).





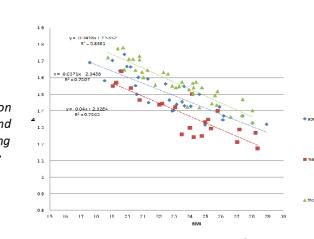


Fig.3.The correlation in BMI and  $f_{\mathsf{Dw}}$ among the three groups.

Table 1. The statistical differences in BMI and SSDE<sub>DW</sub> and correlation in BMI and SSDE<sub>Dw</sub> between group A, group B and group C through paired sample t-test analysis.

Group	t	R <sup>2</sup>	Р
А	29.261	0.66	<0.01
В	27.837	0.63	<0.01
С	19.065	0.64	<0.01

SSDE<sub>Dw</sub> among the three groups through one-way anova analysis.

Table 2. The statistical differences in  $D_W$ ,  $f_{Dw}$  and

	F	P
Dw	17.363	<0.01
$f_{\sf Dw}$	16.419	<0.01
SSDE <sub>Dw</sub>	12.876	<0.01

## CONCLUSIONS

The BMI-based method may be effective to estimate size-specific radiation dose based on Dw value.

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