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ays Miss Most Blunt Trauma Injuries

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uggests that when used alone, chest X-ray (CXR), without other trauma screening criteria, has poor screening performance for blunt thoracic injury.

researchers at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF, USA) conducted a secondary analysis of data from the NEXUS Chest CT study (held between August 2011 and May 2012 at 10 trauma centers in the United States), which included a total of 4,501 participants who had been injured primarily in motor vehicle accidents and who received initial chest x-rays, and chest computed tomography (CT scans). The injuries were categorized as clinically major or minor.

revealed that CXR missed blunt trauma injuries in 818 patients (54.7%), of which 7.7% were classified as major injuries. The most common missed major injuries were sternal fractures, spinal cord injuries, and aortic injuries, while the most common missed minor injuries were pericardial effusions, sternal fractures, and mediastinal hematomas. The study was published on June 19, 2021, in the *American Journal of Medicine*.

"We do not suggest that the CXR should be completely abandoned in adult blunt trauma evaluation," concluded study co-authors David Dillon, PhD, and Robert Rodriguez, MD. "The CXR is still useful for trauma patients, and it is an essential component of our chest CT decision instrument, which safely guides selective chest CT utilization, with reductions of as many as 38% of chest CTs."

CXR is the main modality in screening and diagnosing thoracic injuries in trauma patients, used to visualize rib fractures, lung contusions, pneumothorax and hemothorax, emphysema, diaphragm injury, and fractures of the axial skeleton. It is common practice for a CXR taken in the emergency department to be assessed by the trauma team, and not by a trained radiologist.

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What is the role of molnupiravir and favipiravir in the treatment of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)?

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References

Investigational Antivirals

Molnupiravir

Molnupiravir (MK-4482 [previously EIDD-2801]; Merck) is an oral antiviral agent that is a derivative of the nucleoside derivative N4-hydroxycytidine. It elicits antiviral effects by inducing copying errors during viral RNA replication of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Primary results from the phase 2a dose-ranging MOVE-OUT study (n = 202) showed that, on average of 10 days after symptom onset, 24% of outpatients in the placebo group remained culture positive for SARS-CoV-2; whereas, no infectious virus could be recovered at study day 5 in any molnupiravir-treated patients. The inpatient molnupiravir study (MOVE-IN) has been halted, but the phase 3 trial in outpatients who have at least 1 risk factor for poor outcomes (eg, advanced age, obesity, diabetes) will proceed with patients receiving 800 mg orally twice daily. ^[161]

Favipiravir

Favipiravir (Avigan; Appili Therapeutics) is an oral antiviral approved for treatment of influenza in Japan. It is approved in Russia for treatment of COVID-19.

Favipiravir selectively inhibits RNA polymerase, which is necessary for viral replication. An adaptive, multicenter, open label, randomized, phase 2/3 clinical trial of favipiravir compared with standard of care in hospitalized patients with moderate COVID-19 was conducted in Russia. Both dosing regimens of favipiravir demonstrated similar clinical response. Viral clearance on Day 5 was achieved in 25/40 (62.5%) patients on the favipiravir group compared with 6/20 (30%) patients in the standard care group (p = 0.018). Viral clearance on Day 10 was achieved in 37/40 (92.5%) patients taking favipiravir compared with 16/20 (80%) in the standard care group (p = 0.155).^[162]

In the United States, the phase 3 PRESECO (Preventing Severe COVID Disease) study is evaluating use in patients with mild-to-moderate symptoms to prevent disease progression and hospitalization. The phase 3 PEPCO (Post Exposure Prophylaxis for COVID-19) study will look at asymptomatic individuals with direct exposure (within 72 hours) to an infected individual. A study in hospitalized patients is also underway.^[163] Additionally, the phase 2 CONTROL study is evaluating use to control outbreaks of COVID-19 in Canadian long-term care facilities.^[165]



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A single chest x-ray may predict risk of hospitalization in COVID-19

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May 15, 2021 -- A single outpatient chest x-ray may be all it takes for an artificial intelligence (AI) algorithm to tell physicians which COVID-19 patients will likely need hospitalization and supplemental oxygen, according to a study published online May 15 in *Academic Medicine*.

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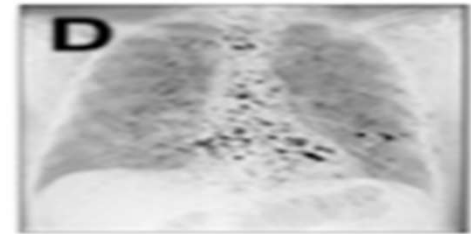
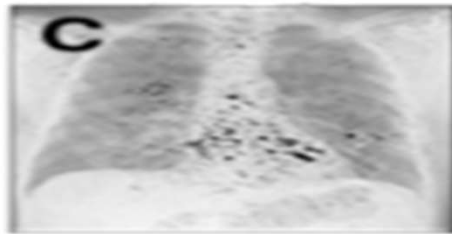
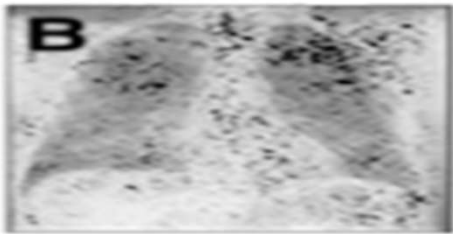
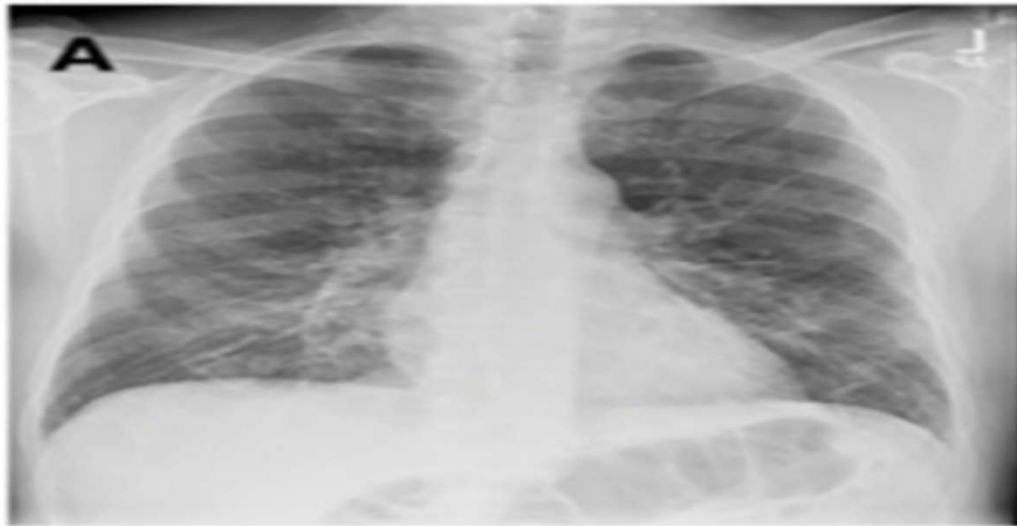
Researchers created an AI program that first identified comorbid conditions such as cardiac arrhythmias and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) on frontal chest x-rays of patients with COVID-19. The algorithm then predicted the likelihood whether those patients would require full hospital admission and supplemental oxygen within 14 days.

"This deep-learning technique adds value when assessing patients with unknown medical history or awaiting laboratory testing," wrote lead author Dr. Ayis Pyrros of Allina Medical Group in Tinley Park, Illinois.

Previous studies have shown that comorbid conditions like diabetes, cardiac arrhythmias, and COPD are associated with more severe cases of COVID-19. However, current methods for recognizing these comorbidities in ambulatory patients, such as review of manual or electronic health records or contemporaneous patient history are imperfect and often incomplete, according to the authors.

In this study, Pyrros and colleagues from the University of Illinois created a deep-learning program to predict the presence of specific comorbidities on outpatient frontal chest x-rays and tested it to see if it could help physicians identify patients who would require full hospitalization and supplemental oxygen. They included 413 patients who had received both a chest x-ray and a positive COVID-19 test in an ambulatory or immediate care setting between March 17, 2020, and October 24, 2020.

The model was trained to identify comorbidities on x-rays corresponding to a specific subset of hierarchical condition category codes from the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision: diabetes with chronic complications, morbid obesity, congestive heart failure (CHF), specified heart arrhythmias, vascular disease, and COPD.



Chest radiograph (A) of a 63-year-old male patient with COVID-19 hospitalized for seven days, and with a body mass index of 26, demonstrating subtle ground-glass opacities in a lower lung distribution with increased geographic (0.34) and opacity scores (0.64). The integrated gradients saliency maps, with darker shades representing higher scores from the multitask comorbidity hierarchical condition category model: morbid obesity (B), congestive heart failure (C), cardiac arrhythmias (D). Much of the activation seen is outside the lung parenchyma, with notable activation of the axillary soft tissue for obesity (B) and heart for congestive heart failure and cardiac arrhythmias (C, D). The activations for congestive heart failure and cardiac arrhythmias are very similar, but they demonstrate subtle differences, with slightly greater activation at the left atrium and aortic knob (D), likely suggesting the associations of vascular disease and atrial fibrillation.

ty-one (12.3%) of the patients had a full hospital admission, with all requiring supplemental oxygen. Four patients died. By combining data on comorbidities from frontal chest x-rays, as well as adding patient age, the deep-learning model predicted prolonged hospitalization and supplemental oxygenation in ambulatory COVID-19 patients with an ROC AUC of 0.837 (95% confidence interval: 0.791-0.883).

Diabetes with chronic complications, cardiac arrhythmias, CHF, COPD, predicted age, and geographic extent and severity of opacity were all significant predictors ($p < 0.05$), while morbid obesity was not.

"In this preliminary study we developed an ensemble deep-learning model to predict supplemental oxygenation and hospitalization of > 2 days in outpatients testing positive for COVID-19," the researchers wrote.

"While portable radiographs were used in the training or testing of the model, however, which could limit the model's use in emergency departments and hospitals, the authors stated. Moreover, implementing AI models remains a technical challenge at most institutions and practices, with relatively few available platforms or widespread adoption.

"Nevertheless, the model is important because it is among the first to directly predict and quantify comorbidities on frontal chest x-rays that contribute to COVID-19 patient outcomes, they added.

"This result suggests that further validation and extension of this particular methodology is warranted," the researchers concluded.



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AI interpret chest x-rays as well as rad residents?

by Mik L. Ridley, AuntMinnie.com staff writer

October 9, 2020 -- Artificial intelligence (AI) software can yield similar or even, by some measures, better performance than radiology residents in interpreting chest x-rays, and it could potentially be utilized for automated preliminary assessments of these exams, according to research published online October 9 in *Annals of the American Thoracic Society*. [Read the full story on A Network Open.](#)



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Researchers led by first author Dr. Joy Wu and senior author Tanveer Syedaood, PhD, of IBM Research compared the performance of a deep-learning algorithm with that of five third-year radiology residents on nearly 2,000 chest radiographs from emergency departments (EDs). The team found that the algorithm had similar sensitivity but statistically higher specificity and positive predictive value compared with the residents.

"Integrating such AI systems in radiology workflows for preliminary interpretations has the potential to expedite existing radiology workflows and address resource shortages while improving overall accuracy and reducing the cost of care," the authors

Using a training dataset of 342,126 frontal chest radiographs acquired in ED and inpatient care settings, the team of researchers trained an algorithm to assess the radiographs for the presence of 72 findings they considered to represent a full-fledged radiologist's binary read.

researchers then selected five third-year radiology residents from academic centers around the U.S. after they had passed a reading adequacy test. Compared to the AI algorithm estimates, these residents each interpreted approximately 400 nonoverlapping sets of anteroposterior (AP) frontal chest graphs from a hospital source.

In comparison with the ground truth, the algorithm yielded a pooled k value of 0.544 per-finding basis, while the residents had slightly higher agreement -- producing a pooled k value of 0.585.

In general, residents performed better for more subtle anomalies, such as masses or nodules, misplaced lines and tubes, and various forms of consolidation, while the AI algorithm was better at detecting nonanomalous findings, the presence of lines and lines, and clearly visible anomalies, such as cardiomegaly, pleural effusion, and pulmonary edema," the authors wrote. "Conversely, the AI algorithm generally performed worse for lower-prevalence findings that also had a higher level of difficulty of interpretation, such as masses or nodules and enlarged hilum."

The researchers also assessed preliminary interpretation performance by comparing results on a per-image basis.

AI vs. residents for preliminary interpretation of chest radiographs

	Radiology residents	AI algorithm
Mean image-based sensitivity	72%	71.6%
Mean image-based positive predictive value	68.2%	73%
Mean image-based specificity	97.3%	98%

With the exception of sensitivity ($p = 0.66$), the differences were statistically significant ($p < 0.01$).

These findings suggest that it is possible to build AI algorithms that reach and exceed the mean level of performance of third-year radiology residents for full-featured preliminary read of AP frontal chest radiographs," Wu and colleagues. This diagnostic study also found that while the more complex findings would benefit from expert overreads, the performance of AI algorithms was associated with the amount of data available for training rather than the level of difficulty of interpretation of the finding."

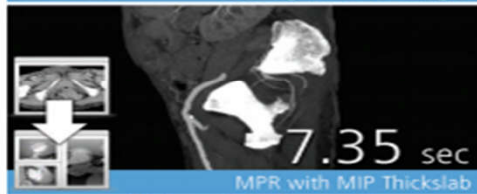
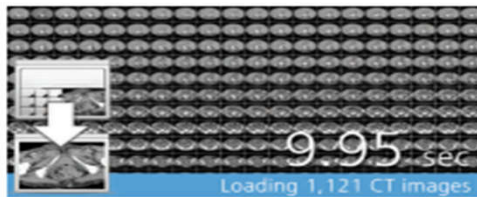
Even if the AI software is utilized to perform preliminary interpretations to target the most prevalent findings, final reads should still be performed by the attending physician, however, to avoid potential misses of less-common results, according to the researchers.

Having attending physicians quickly correct the automatically produced reads can expect to significantly expedite current dictation-driven radiology workflow, improve accuracy, and ultimately reduce the overall cost of care," the authors

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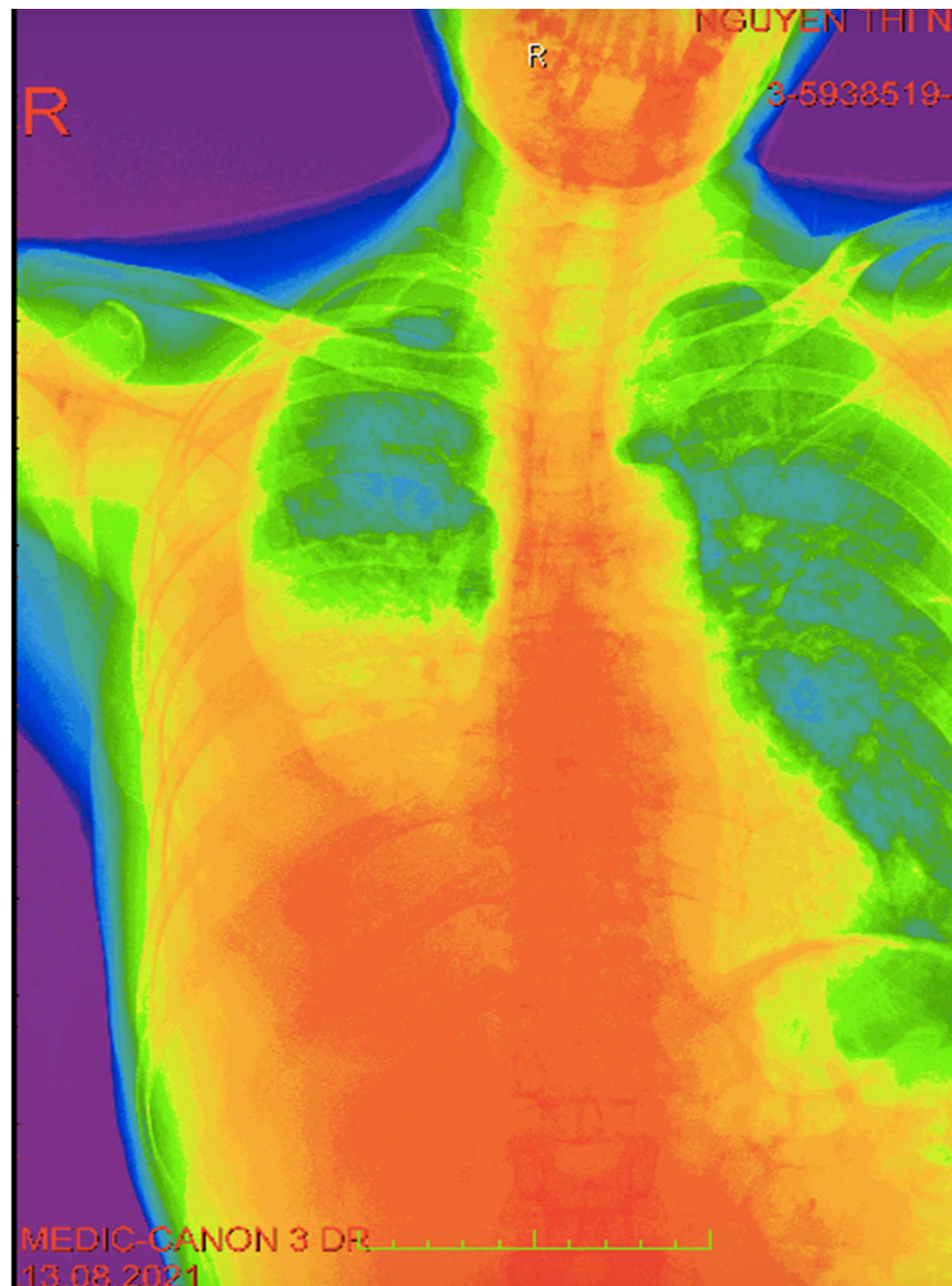
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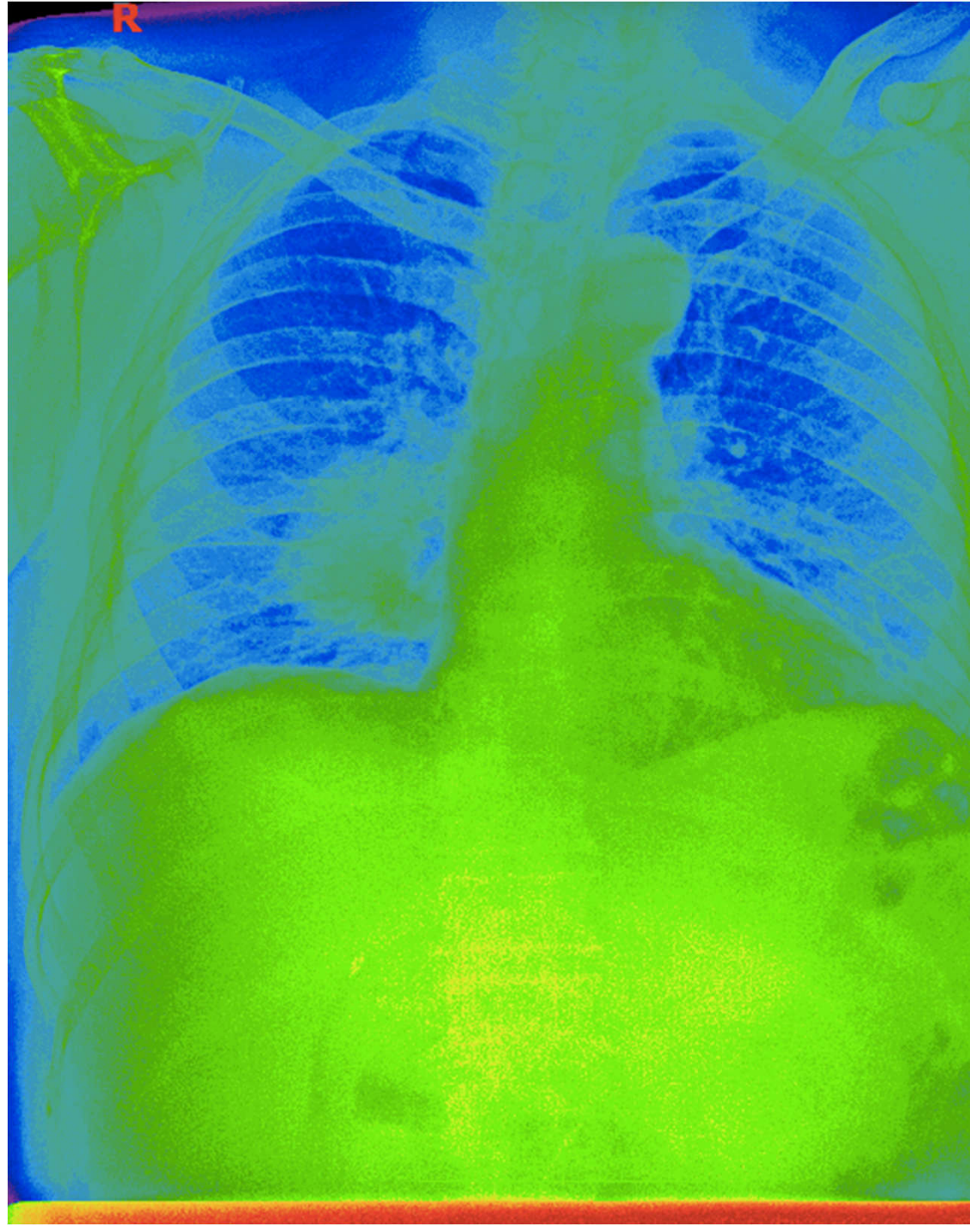
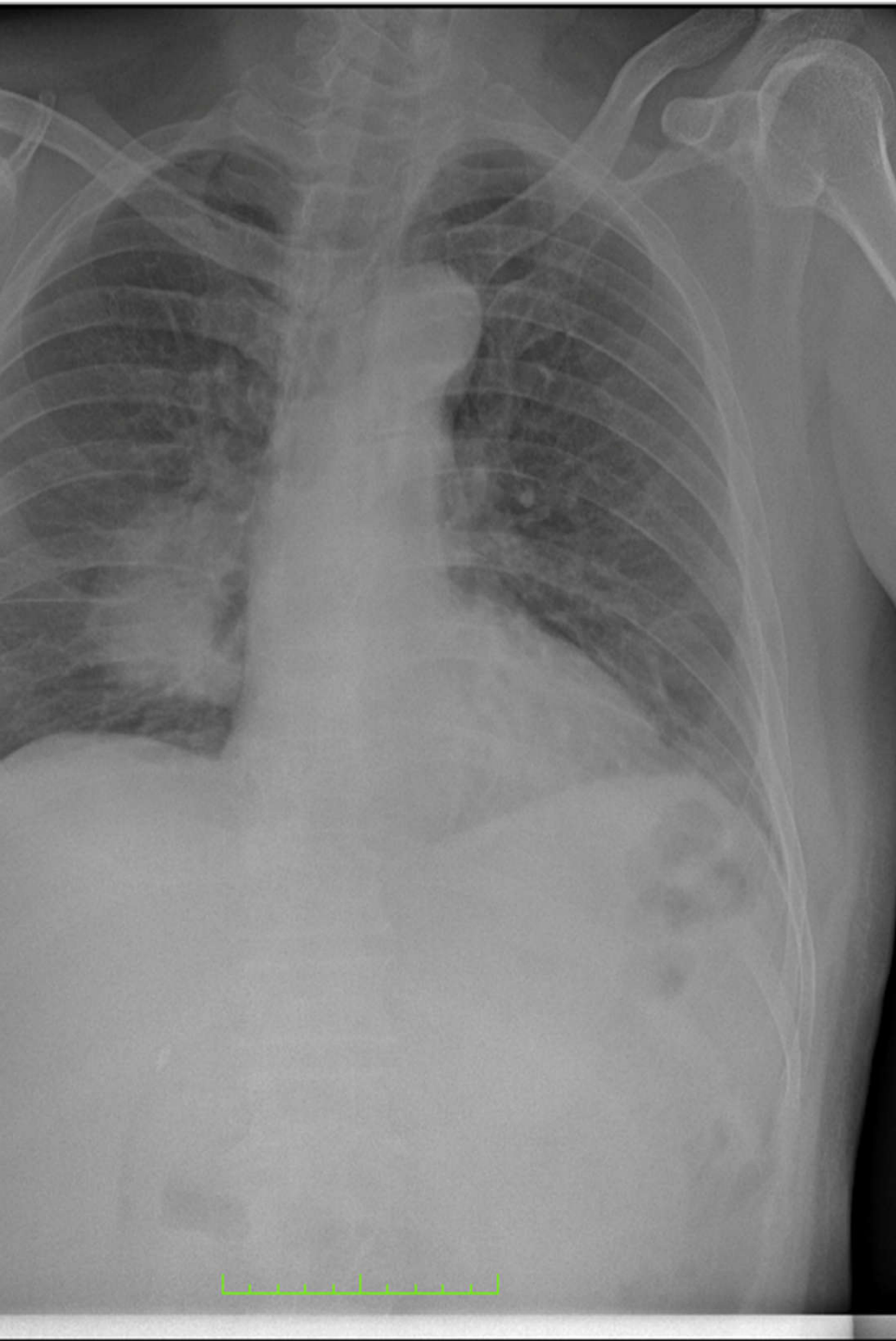
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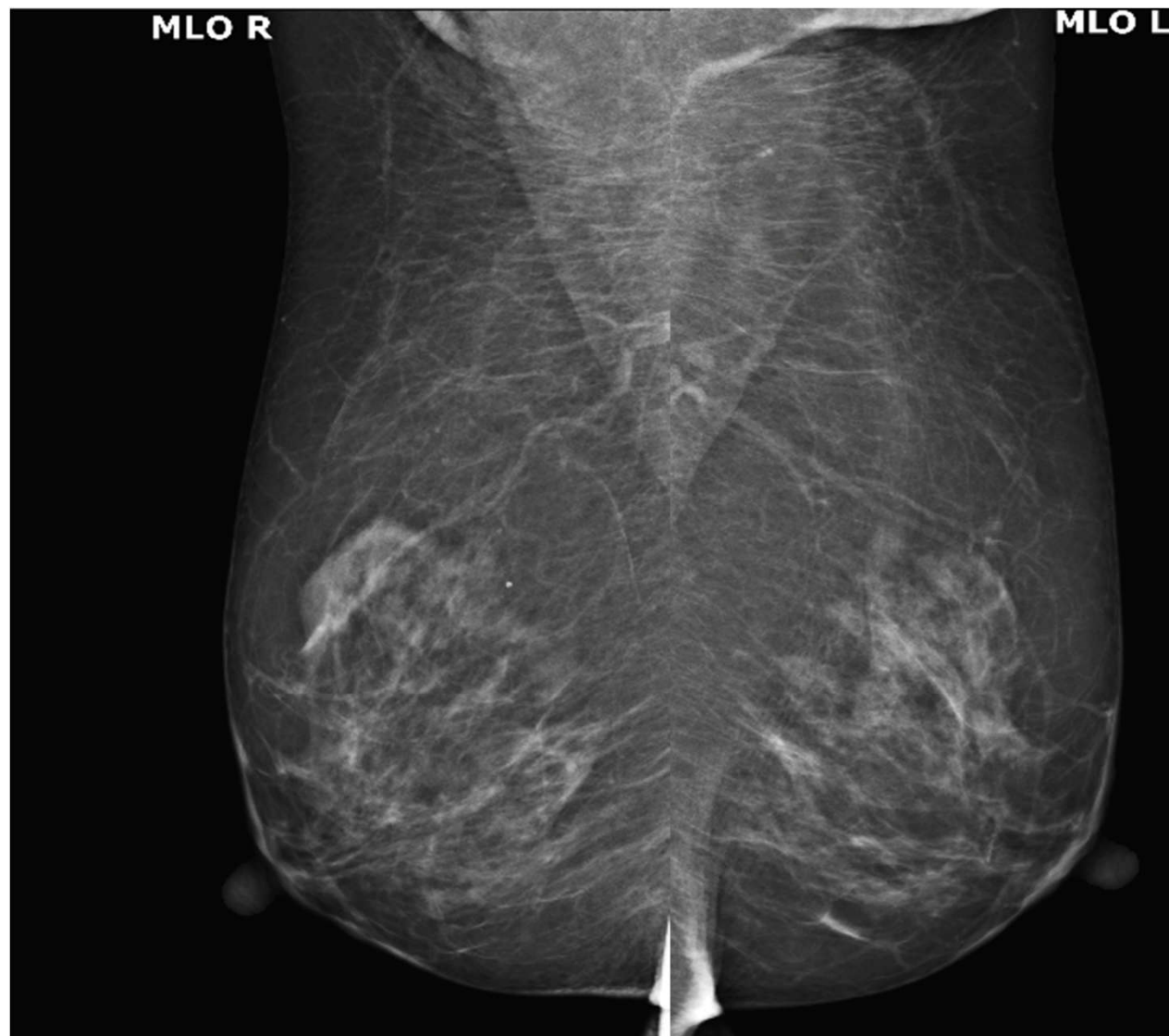
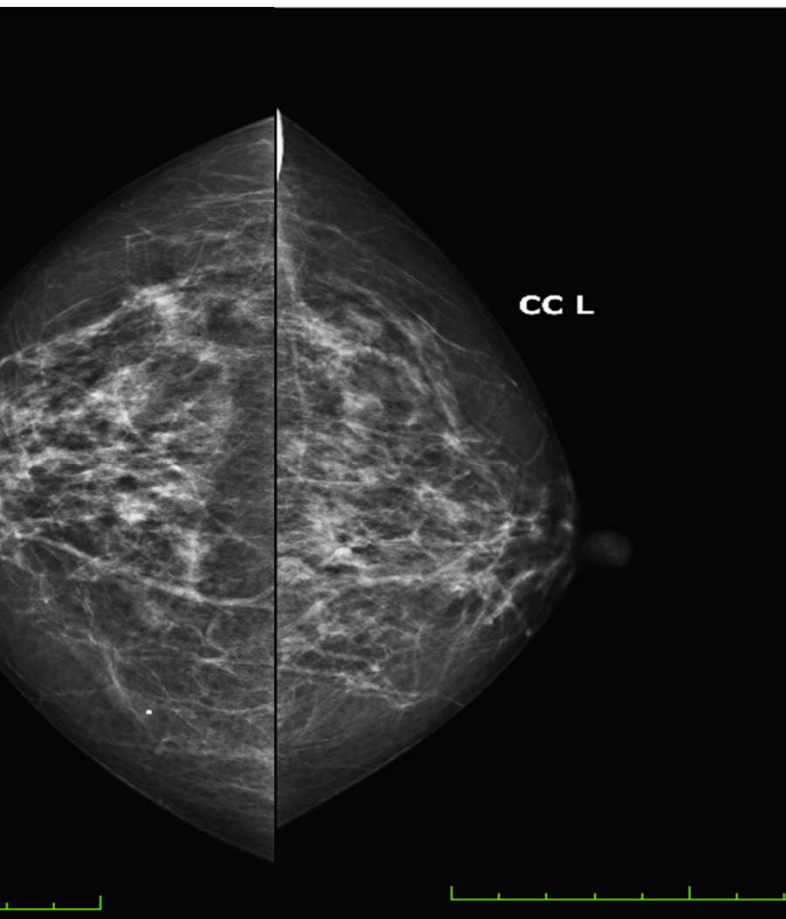
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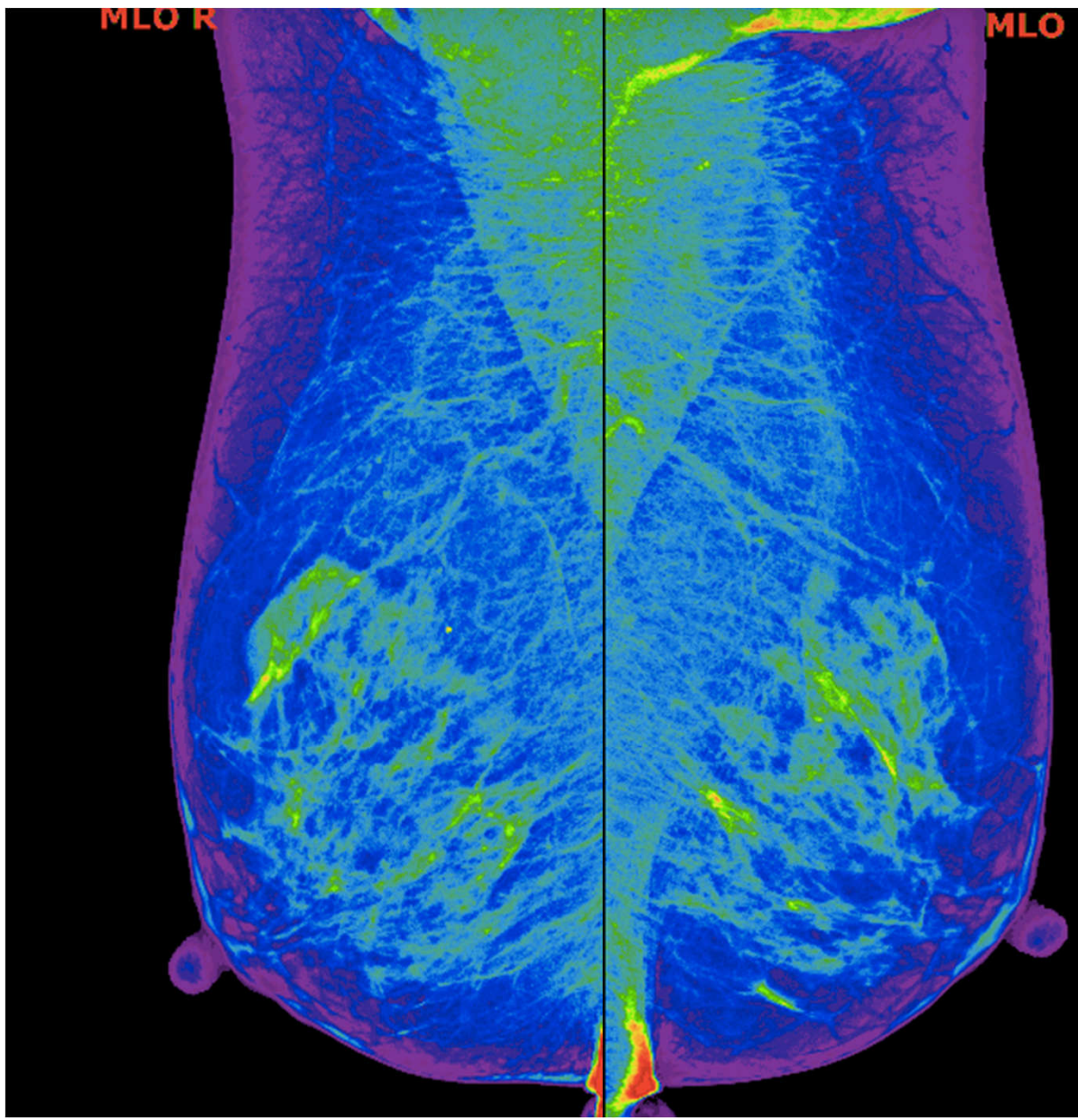
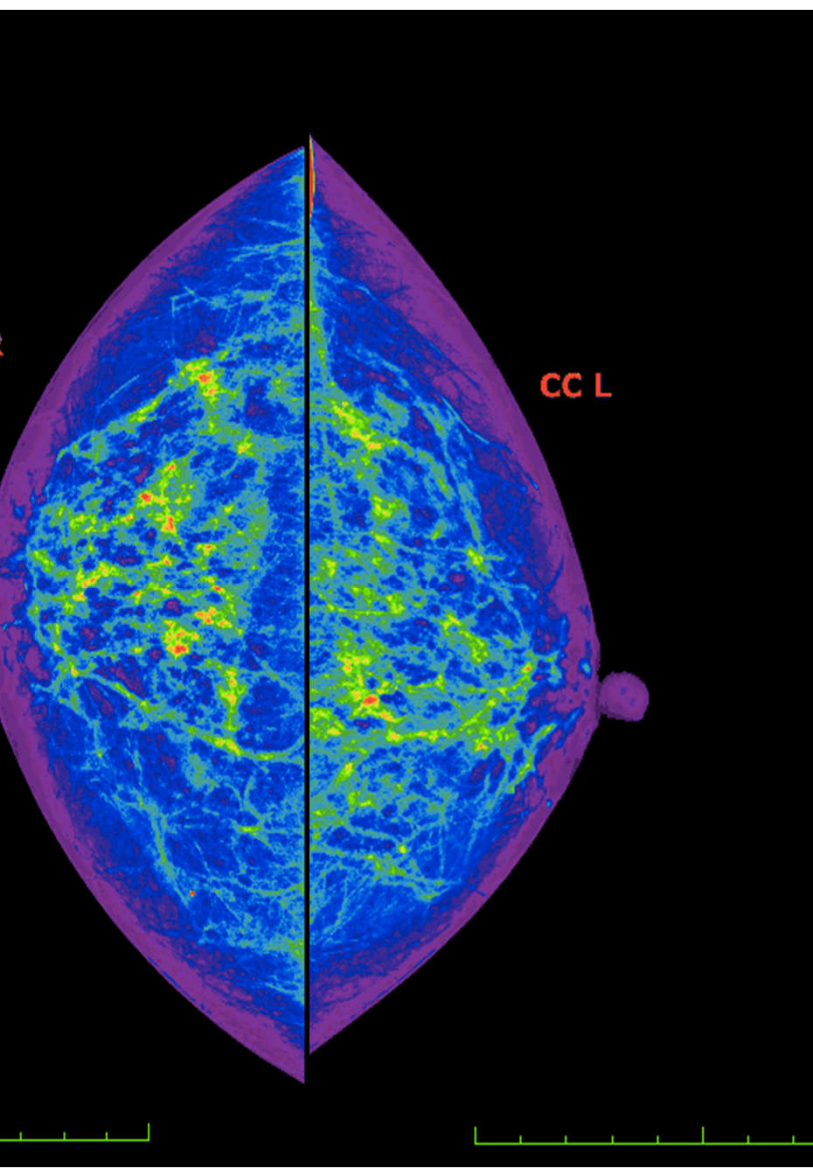
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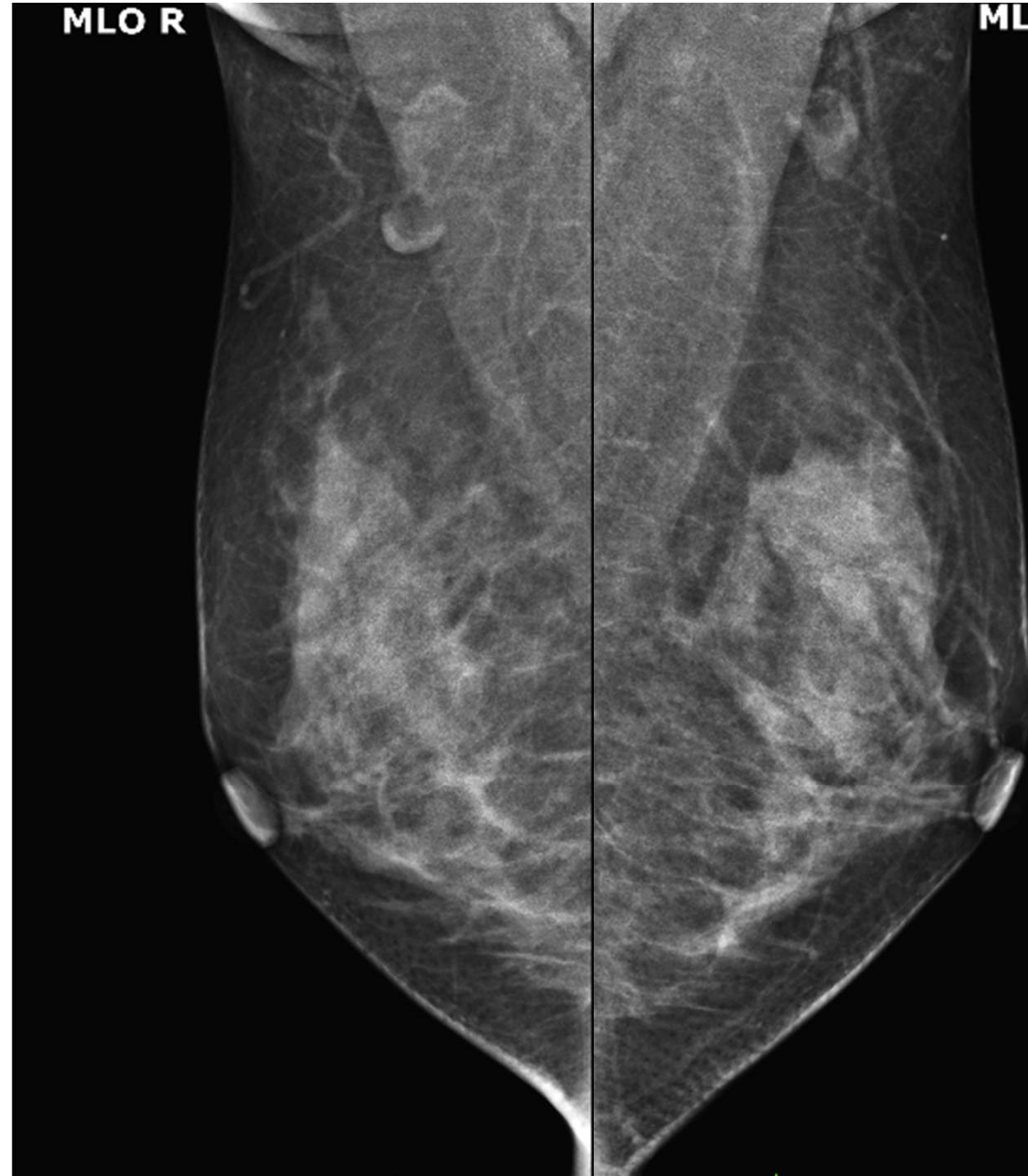
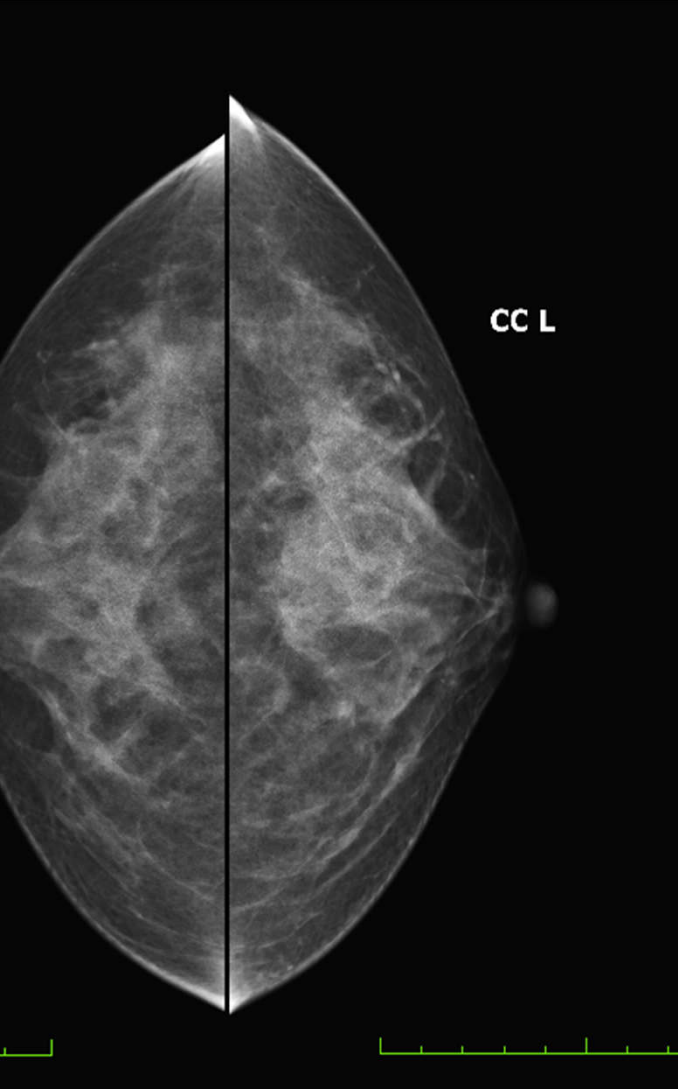


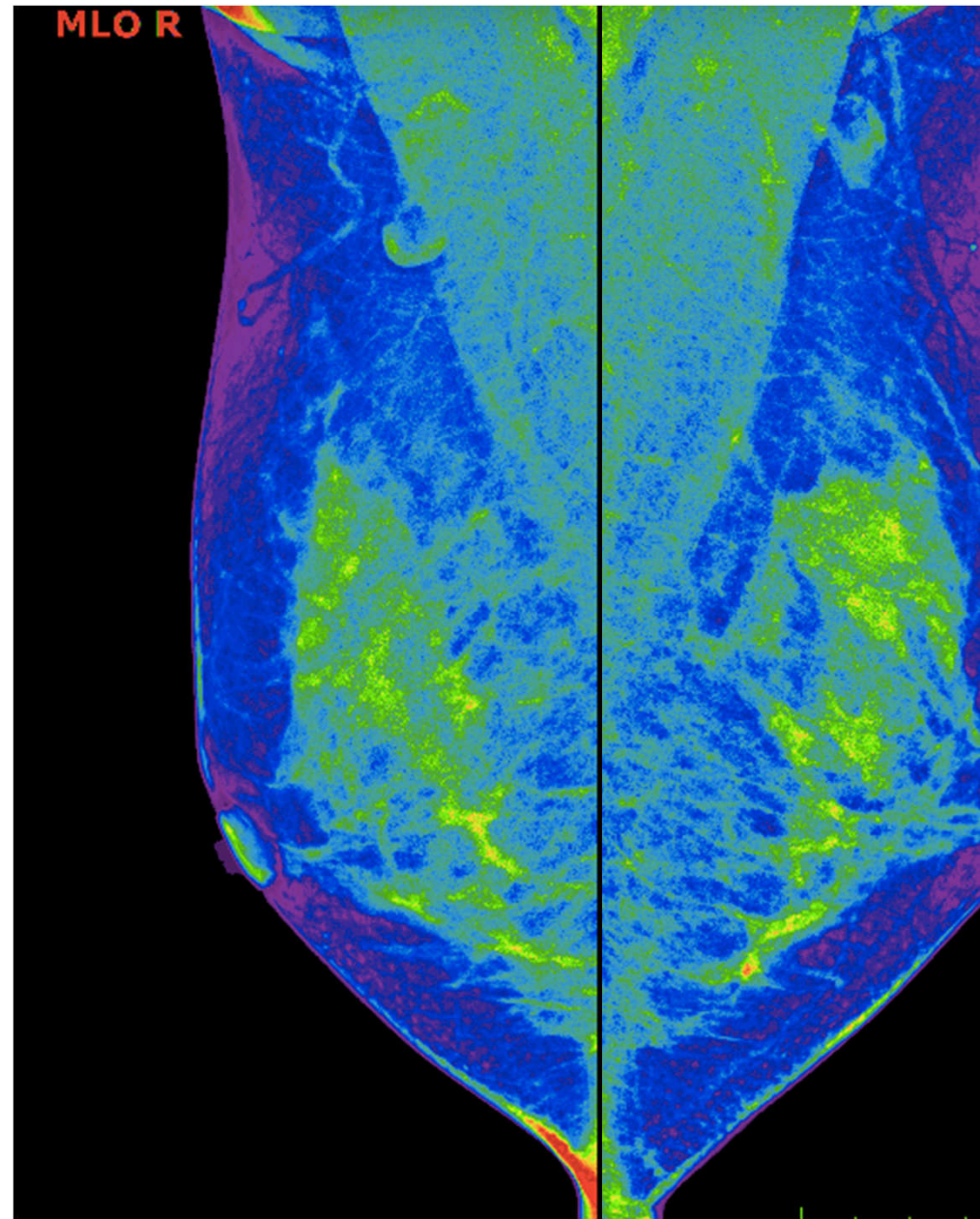
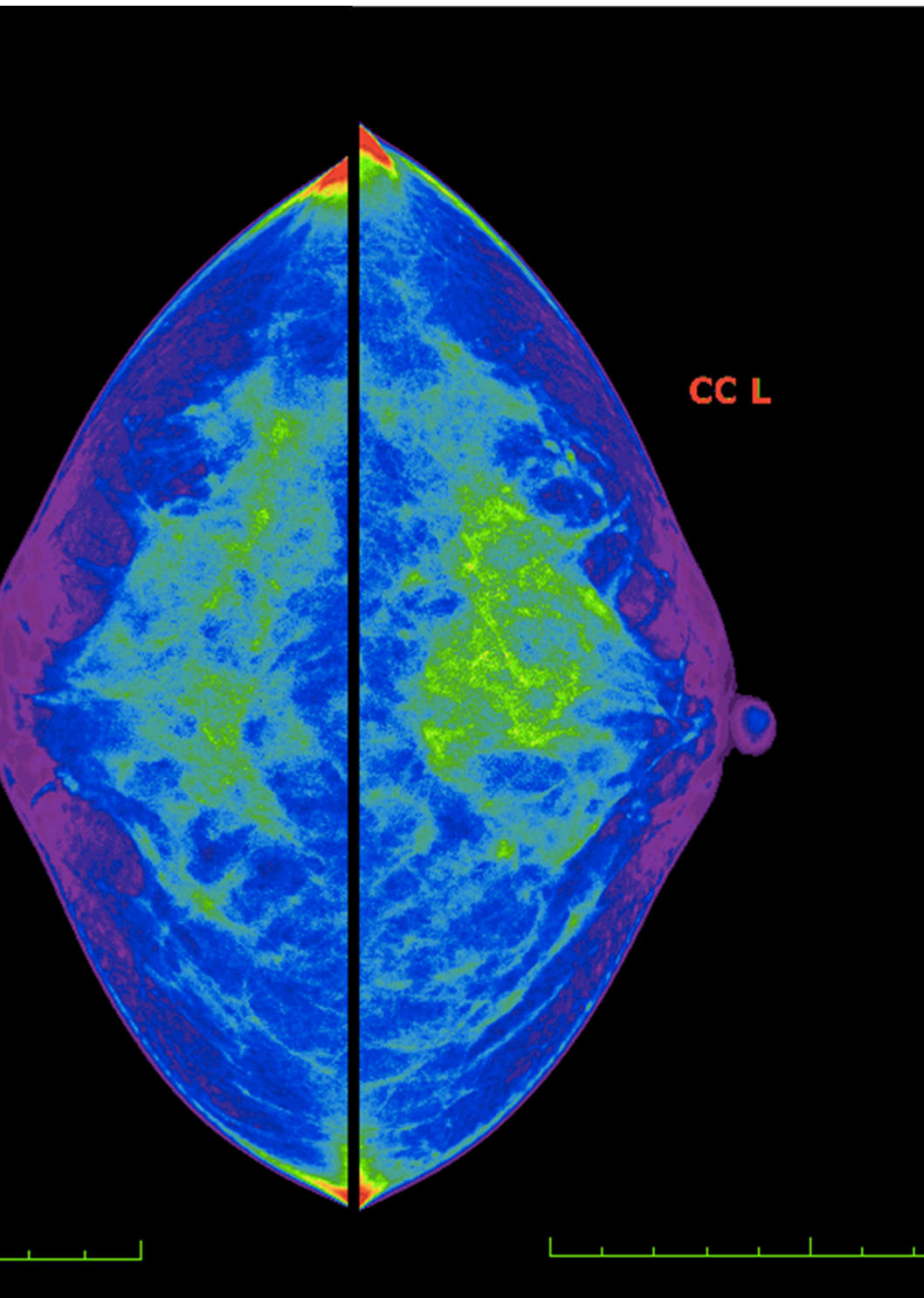












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Tổng kết X-Quang bệnh viện dã chiến (15/7-16/8/2021)

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