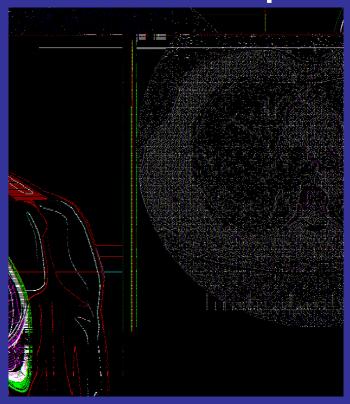
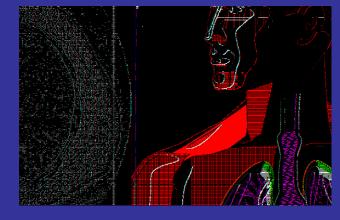
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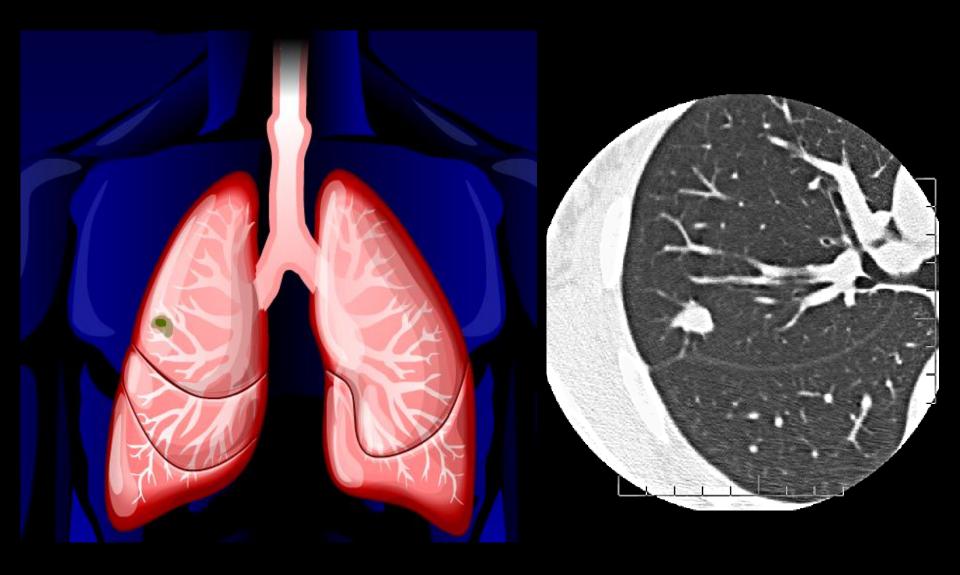


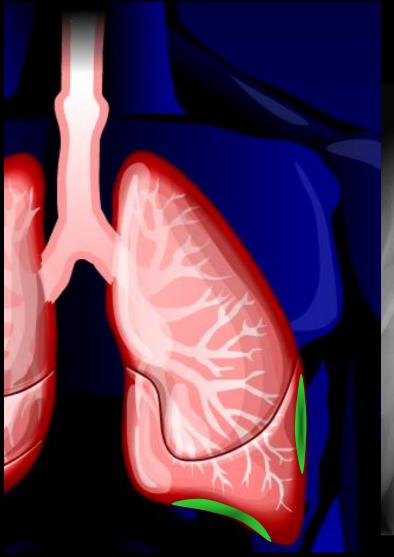
Cross-sectional views through the chest





# nodule





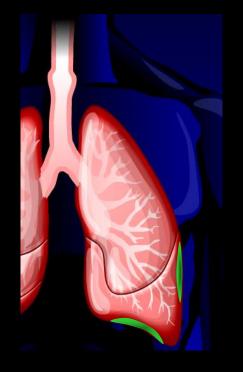
## pleural plaques

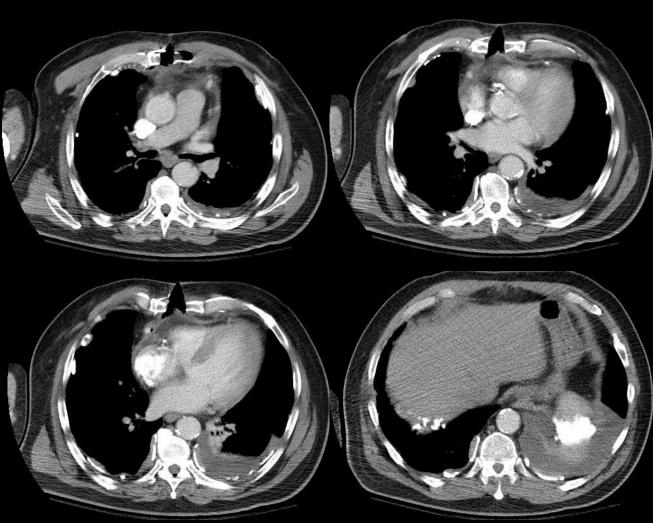


#### pleural plaques:

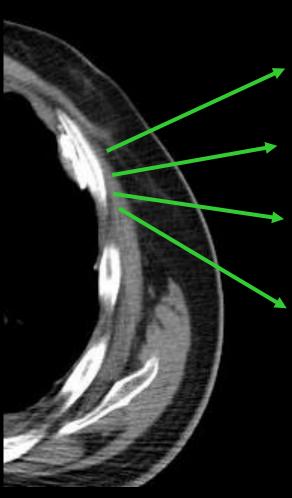
- reliable marker for asbestos exposure
- indicator of increased risk for malignant mesothelioma

## pleural plaques on CT









thickness

area / volume

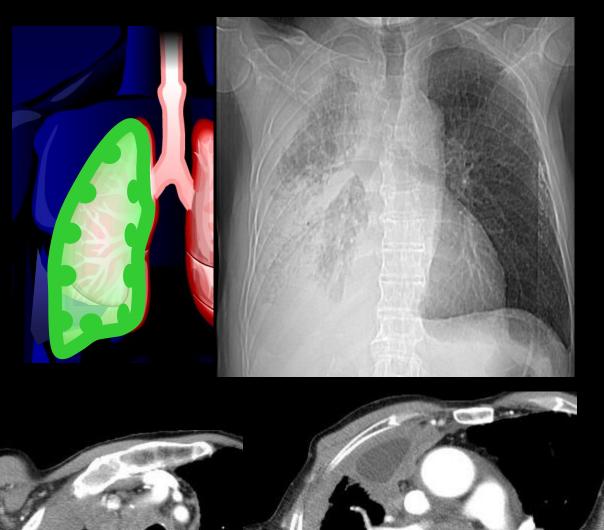
shape (flat or lobulated)

density calcifications?

involved pleura (costal, diaphragmatic, mediastinal)

symmetry?

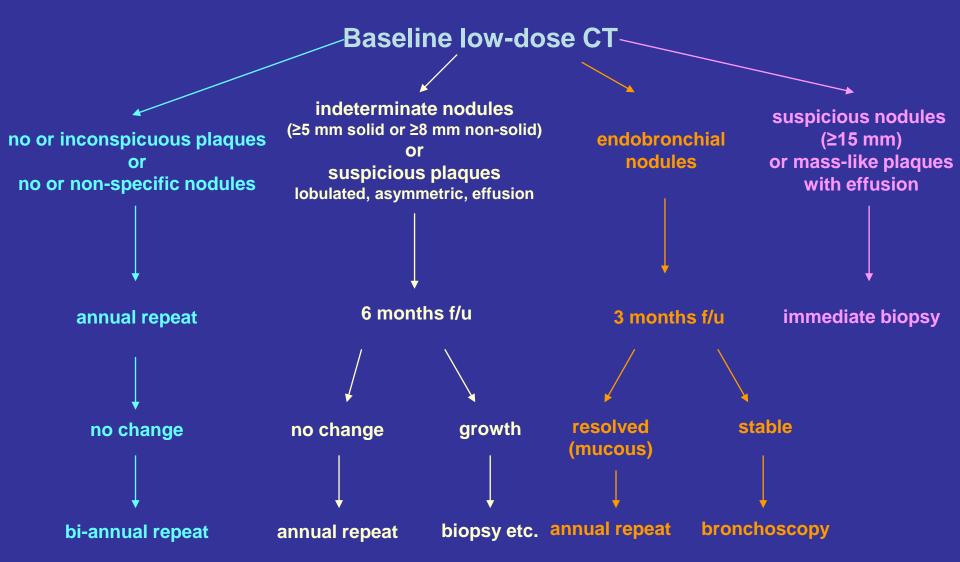
fluid?



## malignant mesothelioma



## Follow up flow chart



## How do I qualify for the study?

### To qualify you must be:

- 30 years of age or older
- asbestos exposure at least 20 years ago and/or documented pleural plaques
- be in general good health
- no prior cancers (except non-melanotic skin cancer)



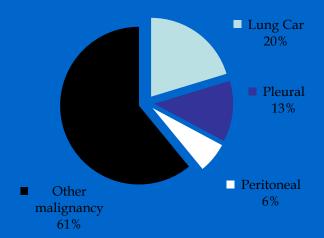


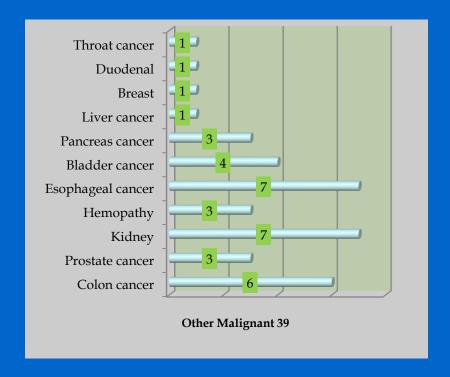


## asbestos CT screening at PMH

- Study started March 2005
- 1287 enrolled
- 13 lung cancers found
- 8 pleural mesothelioma found
- 4 peritoneal mesothelioma found

#### Distribution of 64 Malignancy in 1287 participates





### Thank you for your support



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