

Table 6: Clinical evidence profile: Comparison 2. Deep inspiration breath-hold versus prone radiotherapy

Quality assessment							No of patients		Effect		Quality	Importance
No of studies	Design	Risk of bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Other considerations	Deep Inspiration Breath-Hold	Free breathing Prone RT	Relative (95% CI)	Absolute		
Mean Heart Dose at RT (measured with: Gy; Better indicated by lower values)												
1 ¹	Randomized controlled trials	No serious risk of bias	No serious inconsistency	Serious ²	Serious ³	None	28	28	-	MD 0.22 lower (0.30 to 0.14 lower)	LOW	CRITICAL

CI: Confidence interval; Gy: Gray; MD: Mean difference; RT: Radiotherapy

¹ Barlett 2015

² Downgraded by 1 level for serious indirectness as only women with larger breasts included

³ Downgraded by 1 level for serious imprecision, as small sample size < 400