



VOLUMETRIC ANALYSIS OF THE MAXILLARY SINUS IN RHINOSINUSITIS PATIENTS

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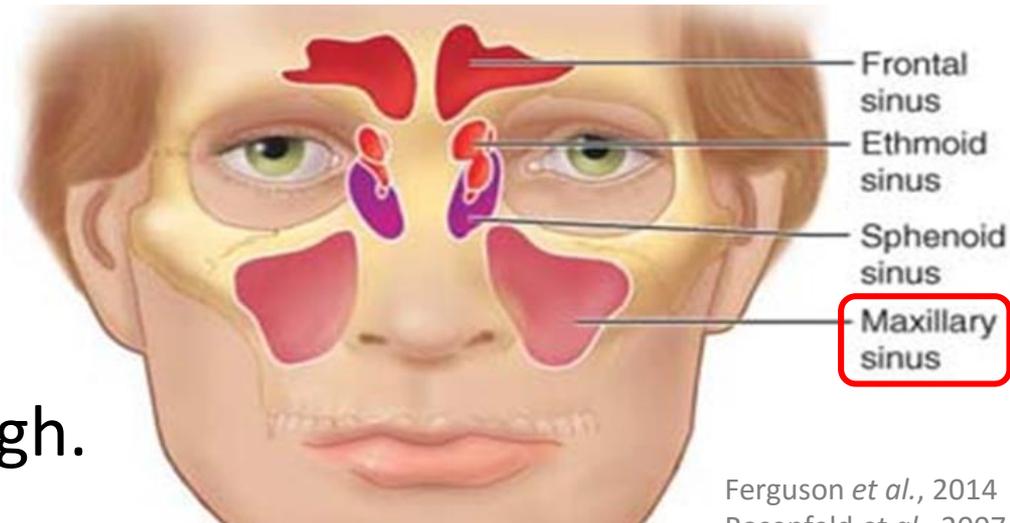
INTRODUCTION:

- **Rhinosinusitis (RS):** inflammation of the paranasal sinuses, extremely common condition.



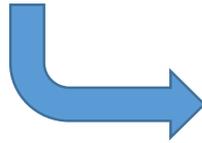
It causes significant physical symptoms, negatively affects quality of life

- RS incidence in the maxillary sinus (MS) is high.

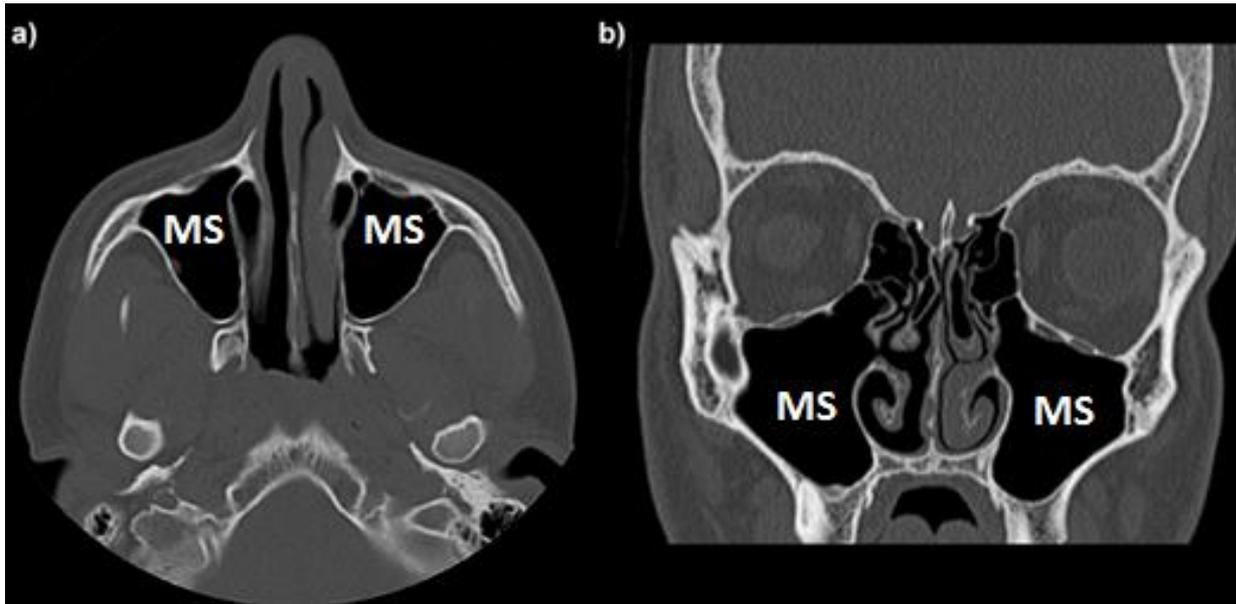


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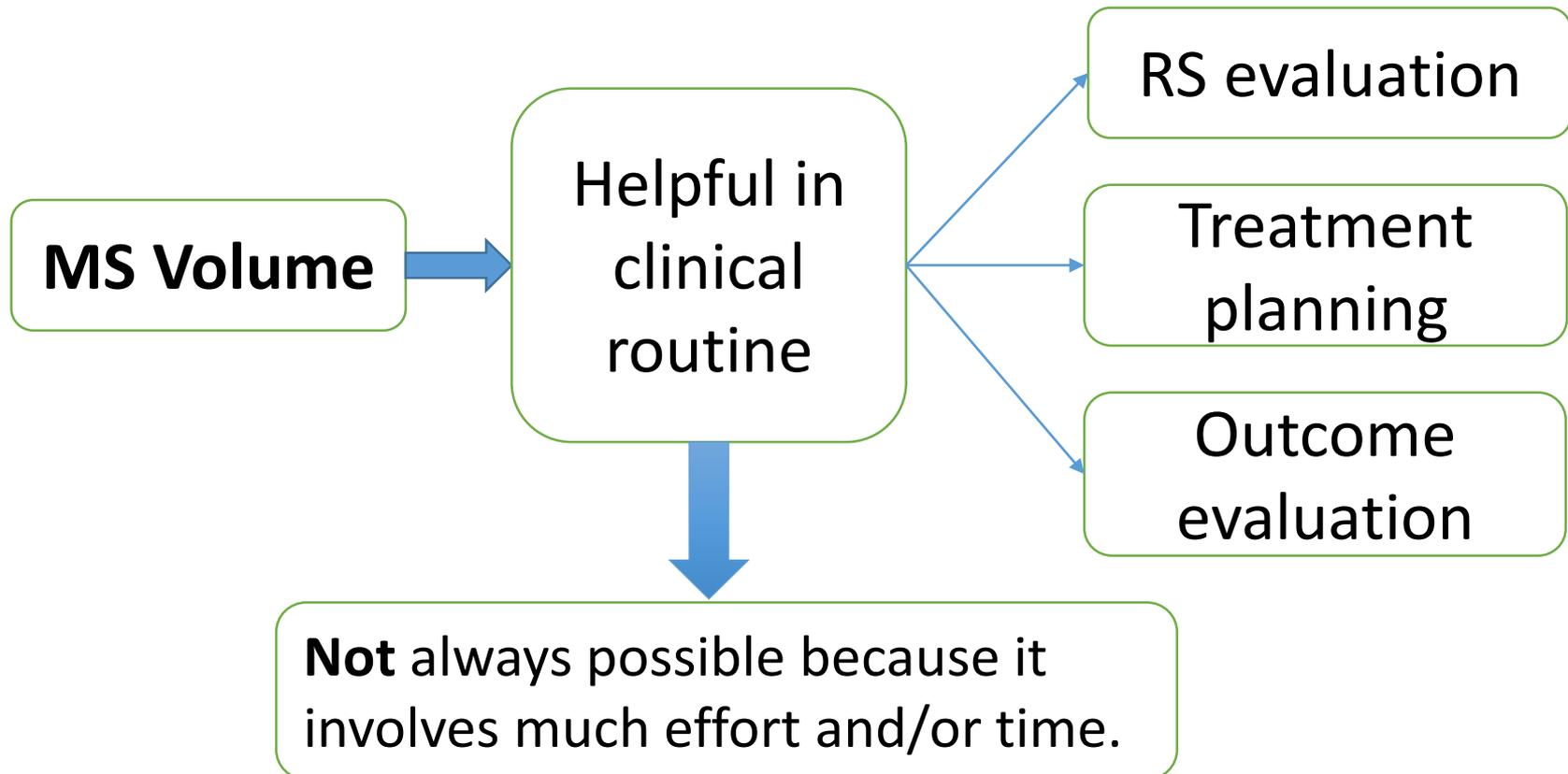
- Computed Tomography (CT) of the sinuses



Recommended for **diagnostic** and **management** purposes.



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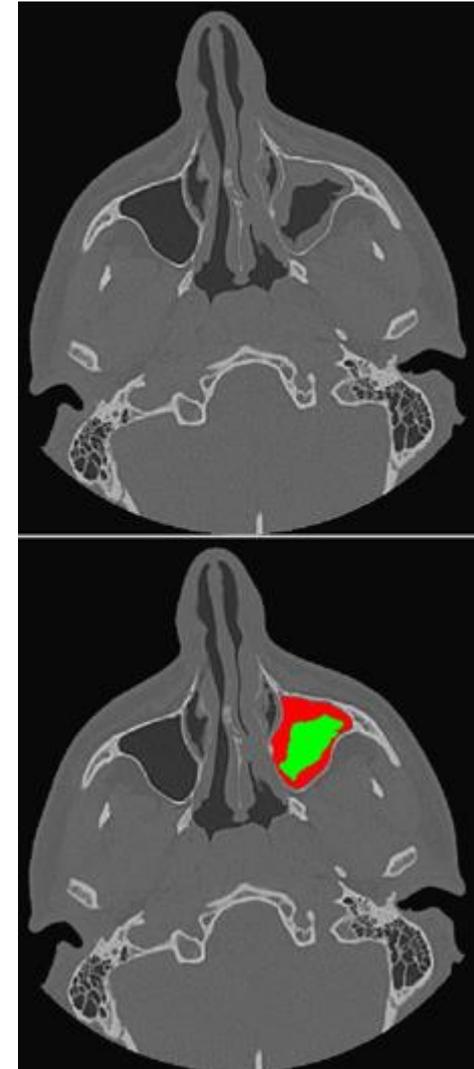


OBJECTIVE

- The of this study was to develop **an automatic tool** to quantity the **volume** of MS and MS free air in CT exams of patients with rhinosinusitis.

METHODOLOGY

- 30 patients with confirmed RS.
- Tool for automatic MS quantification,
 - Developed in Matlab;
 - Hybrid method (**Watershed** and **Region Growing** techniques).
- Comparison between radiologist manual segmentation.
 - Linear Regression
 - Bland-Altman



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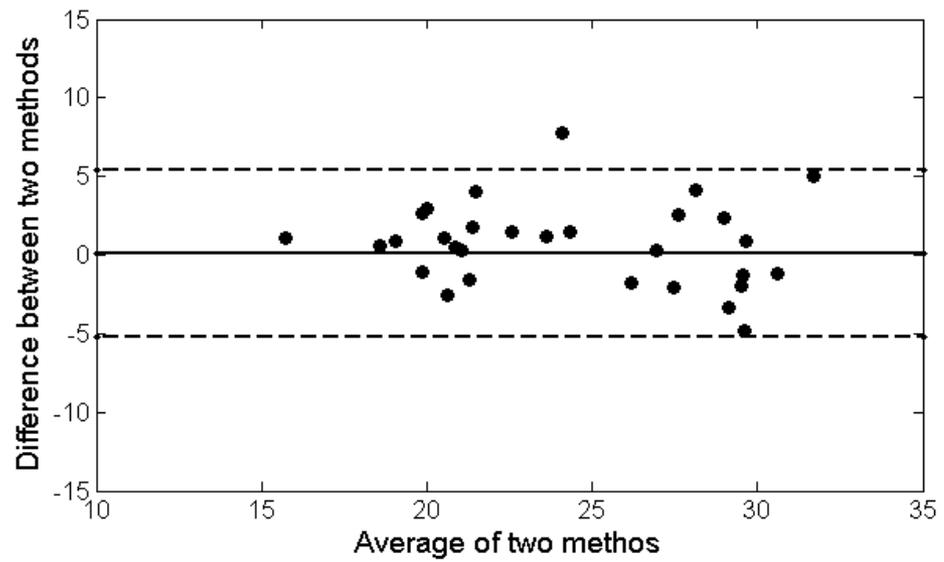
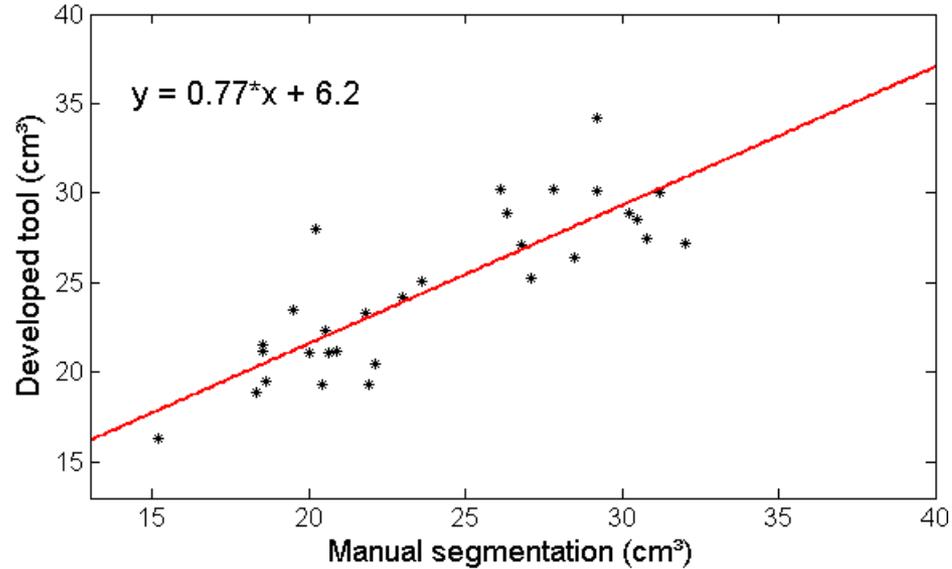
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RESULTS

MS Total volume

Mean percentage difference = 9.2%



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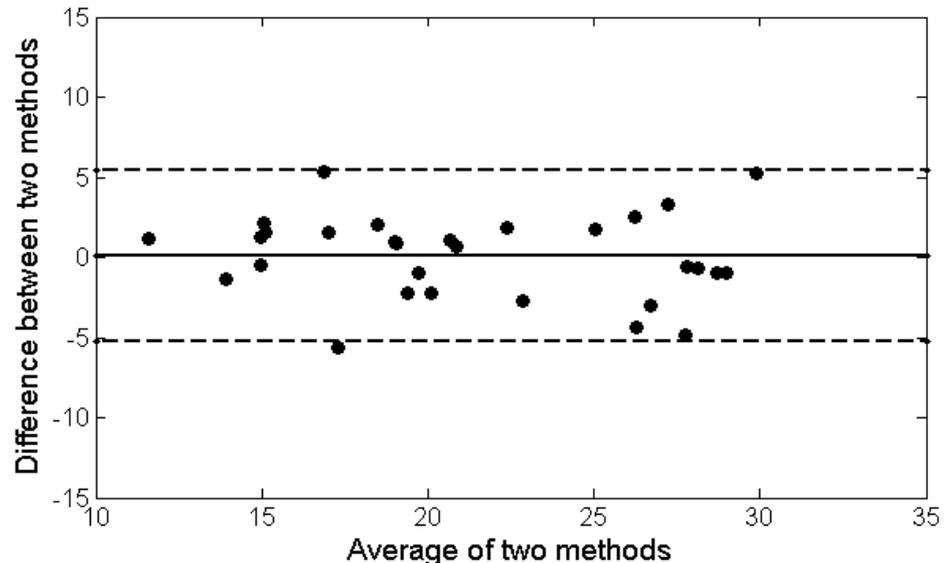
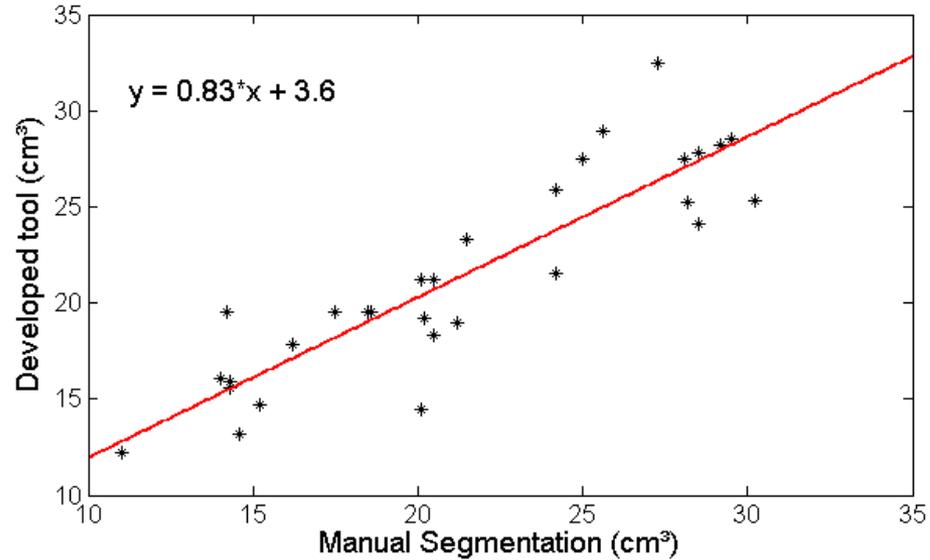
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MS free air volume

Mean percentage difference = 10.4%



CONCLUSION

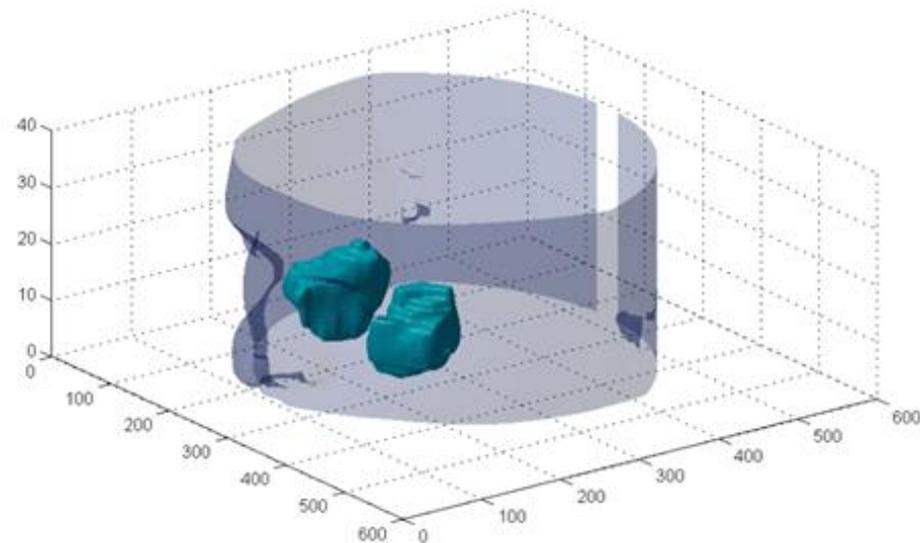
Developed tool to quantify MS volume

- Robust;
- Fast;
- Efficient;
- Avoids intra and inter-observer variations.

Useful for **diagnosis** and **treatment determination** of RS



Provide additional information to physician.



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