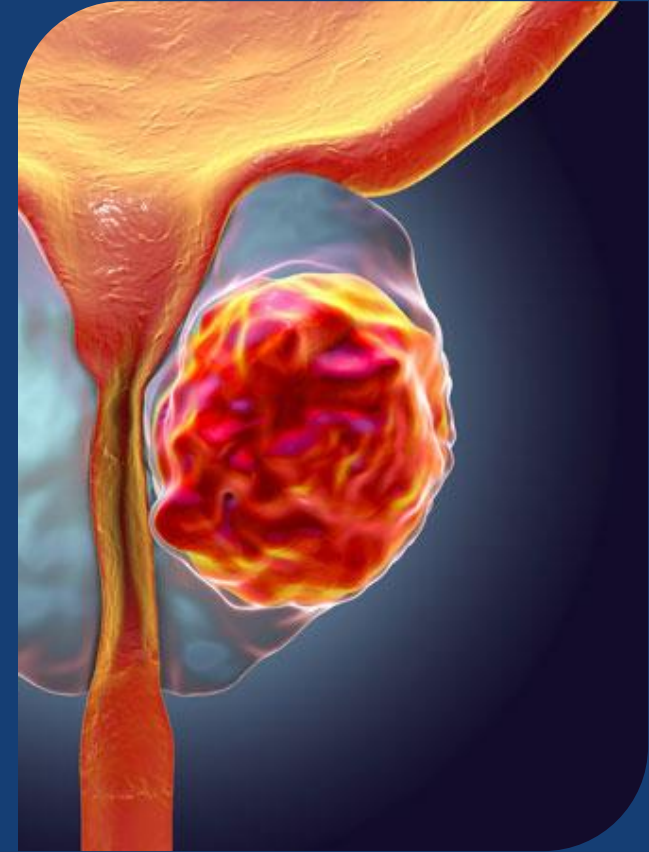


Refining PSA Density Cut-Offs for Risk Stratification in Patients with PI-RADS 3 Lesions

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Conflicts of interest

I have no potential conflict of interest to report

Background

PI-RADS 3

PI-RADS

PI-RADS 1 = Very low - clinically significant cancer highly unlikely

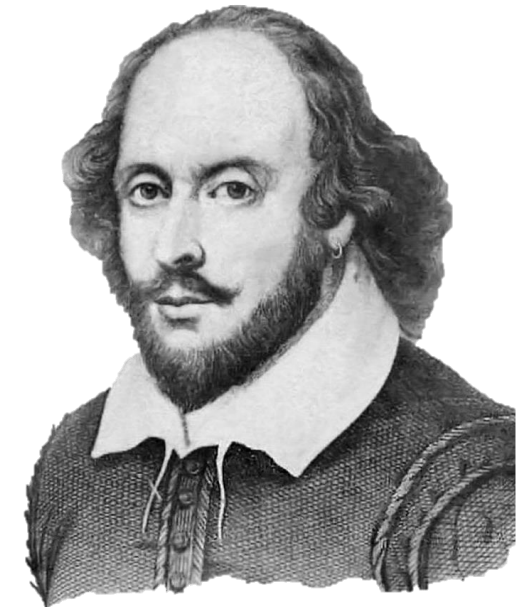
PI-RADS 2 = Low - clinically significant cancer unlikely

PI-RADS 3 = Intermediate - clinically significant cancer equivocal

PI-RADS 4 = High - clinically significant cancer likely

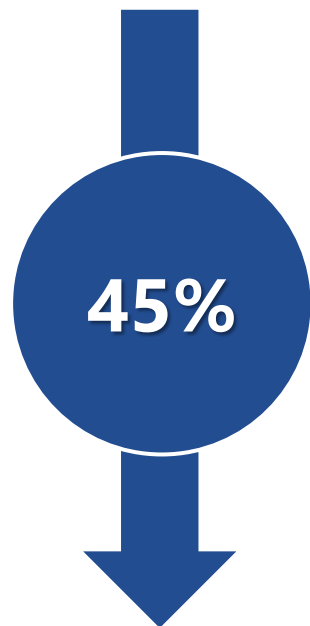
PI-RADS 5 = Very high - clinically significant cancer highly likely

To bx or not to
bx, that is the
question



Background

PI-RADS ≥ 3



ISUP ≥ 2

PI-RADS 3



ISUP ≥ 2

Real occurrence of csPCa
following MRI-targeted
biopsy in PI-RADS 3 lesions



≠ among different patient
subgroups



4-29%

Aim of the Study



To sub-stratify patients identified from a large European cohort of **patients** who underwent MRI-targeted and systematic biopsies for **PI-RADS 3** lesions and **to identify predictive factors of csPCa**

Patients and Methods

Population

4841 patients



11 European tertiary referral centers



MRI-targeted and systematic biopsies



January 2016 – April 2023



Patients and Methods

MRI and biopsy procedures

All prebiopsy MRI were performed within **6 months before biopsy**, following the ESUR guidelines and scored using the **PI-RADS version 2.1**



Dedicated
Genitourinary
Radiologist



Dedicated
Urologist



Dedicated
Uropathologist

KOELIS® system allowing elastic **MRI-3D ultrasound images fusion**

Patients and Methods



Selection criteria



PI-RADS 3 lesions

Exclusion criteria:

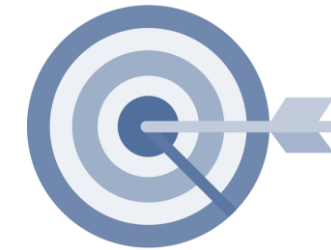
Missing information on clinical,
radiological and biopsy data

Patients and Methods

Data collected

- Age
- PSA
- Clinical stage at DRE
- Prostate volume
- PSA density (PSAd)
- Maximum MRI lesion diameter
- Localization of lesion
- Previous biopsy status
- Biopsy approach
- Number of cores taken

Primary Outcome



The identification of covariates significantly associated with a risk of csPCa defined as an ISUP grade group ≥ 2 on MRI-targeted and systematic biopsies

Patients and Methods

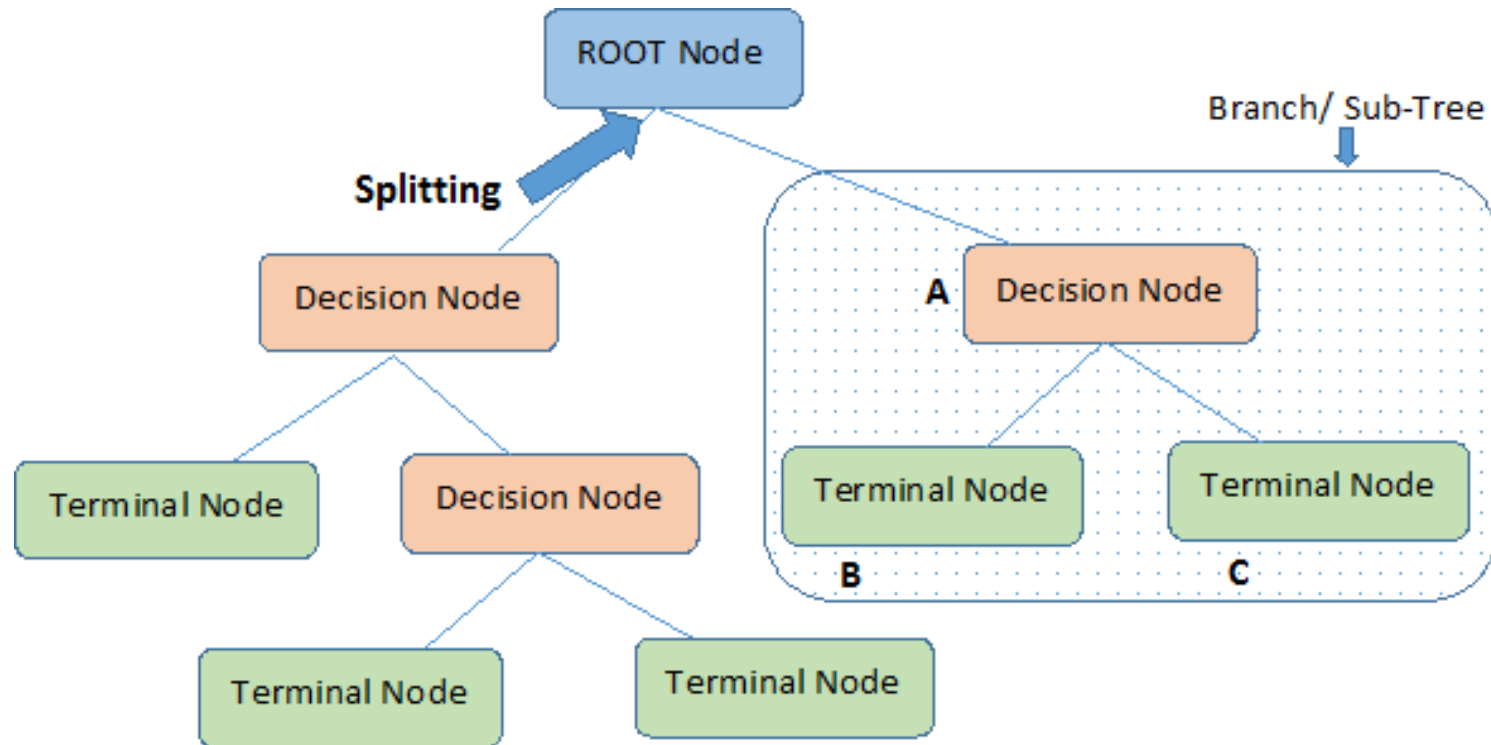
Statistical analysis

- **Descriptive statistics**
- **Multivariable logistic regression analysis**
 - ***Three models:***
 - Clinical
 - Clinical + Radiological
 - Clinical + Radiological + Previous biopsy status
 - ***Model evaluation according to TRIPOD recommendations***
 - AUC for discrimination
 - Internal validation by bootstrap
 - Calibration plots and DCA for assessment



Patients and Methods

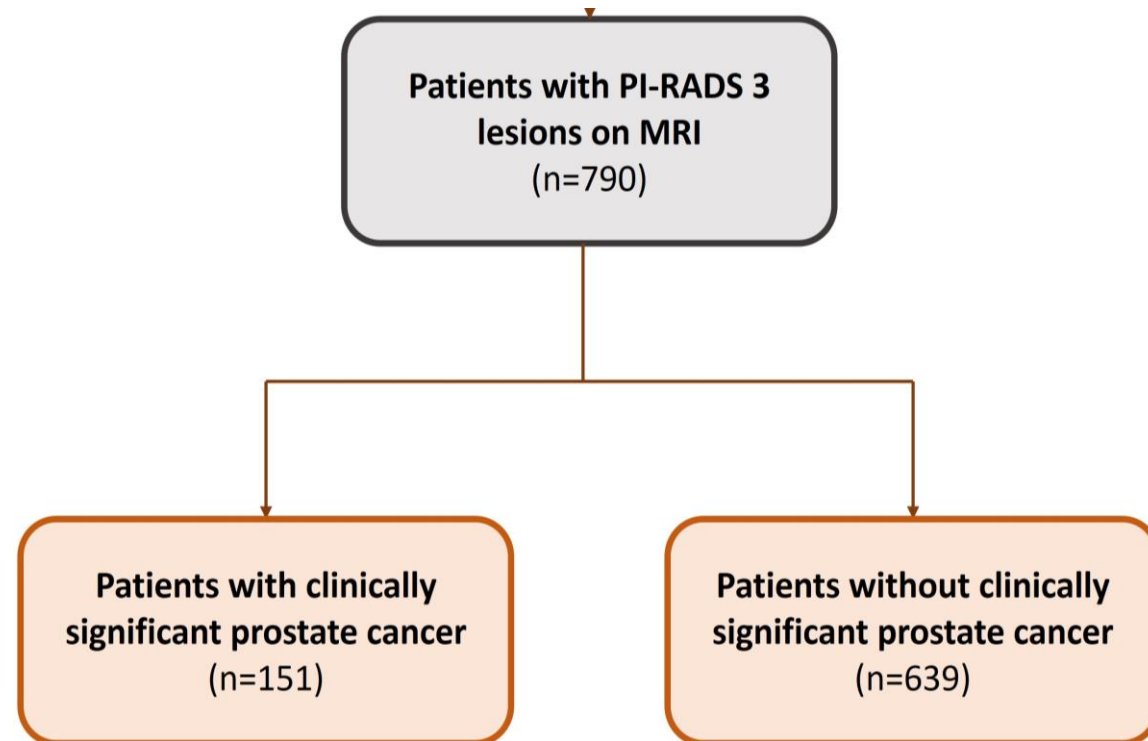
CHAID Analysis



Dependent **covariables** found to be **significant** on the logistic regression analysis were then **selected for further exploration using** a Chi-squared Automatic Interaction Detection (**CHAID**) analysis

Results

Patients' Characteristics



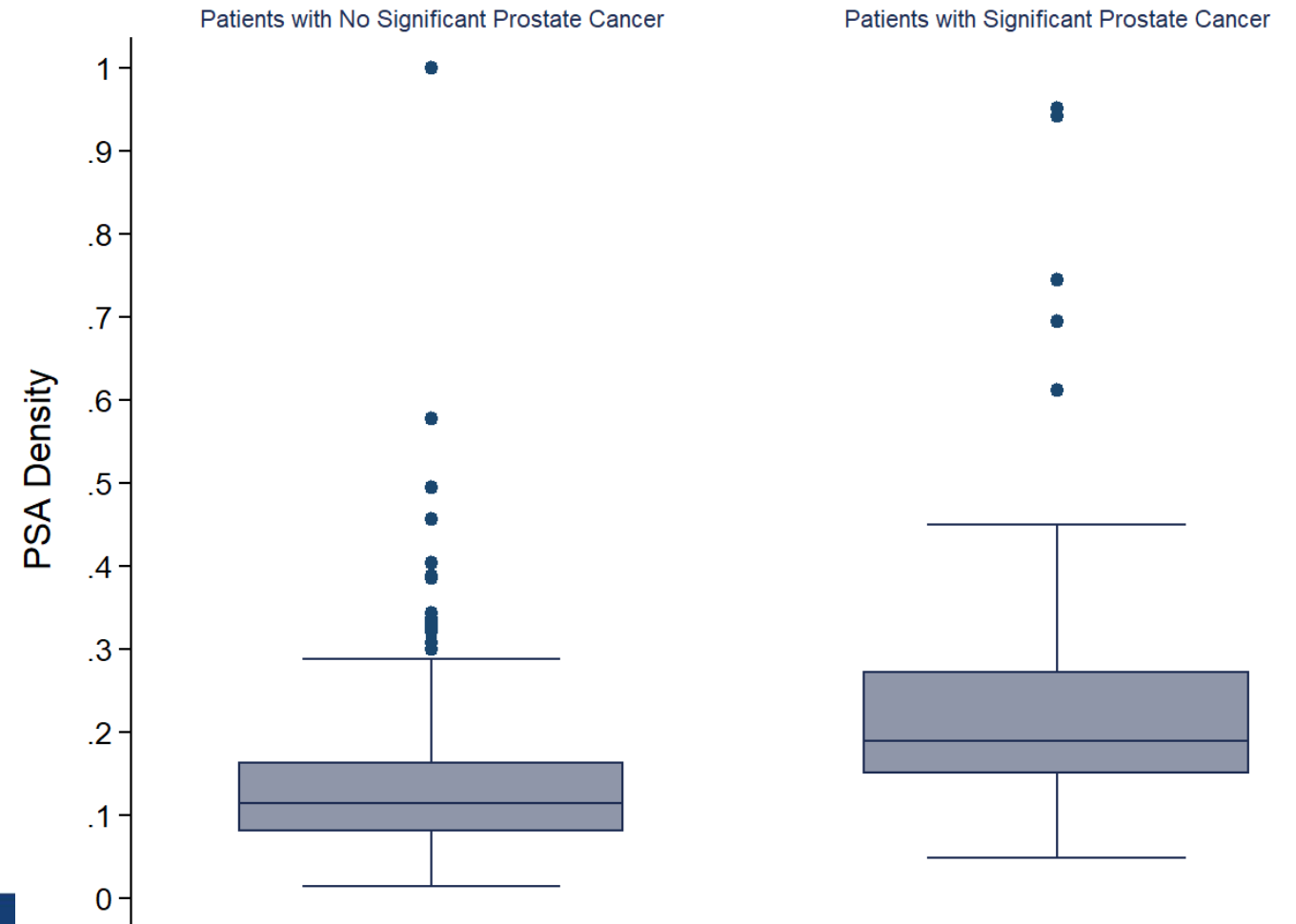
Variable	Whole population (n=790)	Clinically Significant Cancer (n=151)	No Clinically Significant Cancer (n=639)
Age, year (IQR)	65 (60-70)	68 (63-72)	65 (59-69)
Positive digital rectal exam, n(%)	85 (11%)	24 (16%)	61 (10%)
PSA density, ng/ml/cc (IQR)	0.13 (0.09 - 0.18)	0.19 (0.15-0.28)	0.11 (0.08 - 0.16)
Previous negative biopsy, n(%)	184 (23%)	27 (18%)	157 (25%)
Number of biopsy cores	Targeted	3 (3-4)	3 (3-4)
	Systematic	9 (7-12)	12 (12-13)
Highest ISUP GG on MRI-targeted biopsy, n(%)	No PCa	554 (72%)	38 (25%)
	1	110 (14%)	9 (6%)
	2	53 (7%)	57 (38%)
	3	32 (4%)	27 (18%)
	4	11 (1%)	13 (9%)
	5	7 (1%)	6 (4%)
Highest ISUP GG overall, n(%)	0	480 (61%)	480 (75%)
	1	159 (20%)	0 (0%)
	2	80 (10%)	80 (53%)
	3	42 (5%)	42 (28%)
	4	19 (2%)	4 (13%)
	5	9 (1%)	5 (6%)

Results

Median PSA_d :

- **0.19** ng/ml/cc (0.15-0.28) in patients with **csPCa**
- **0.11** ng/ml/cc (0.08-0.16) in patients with **non csPCa**

PSA density



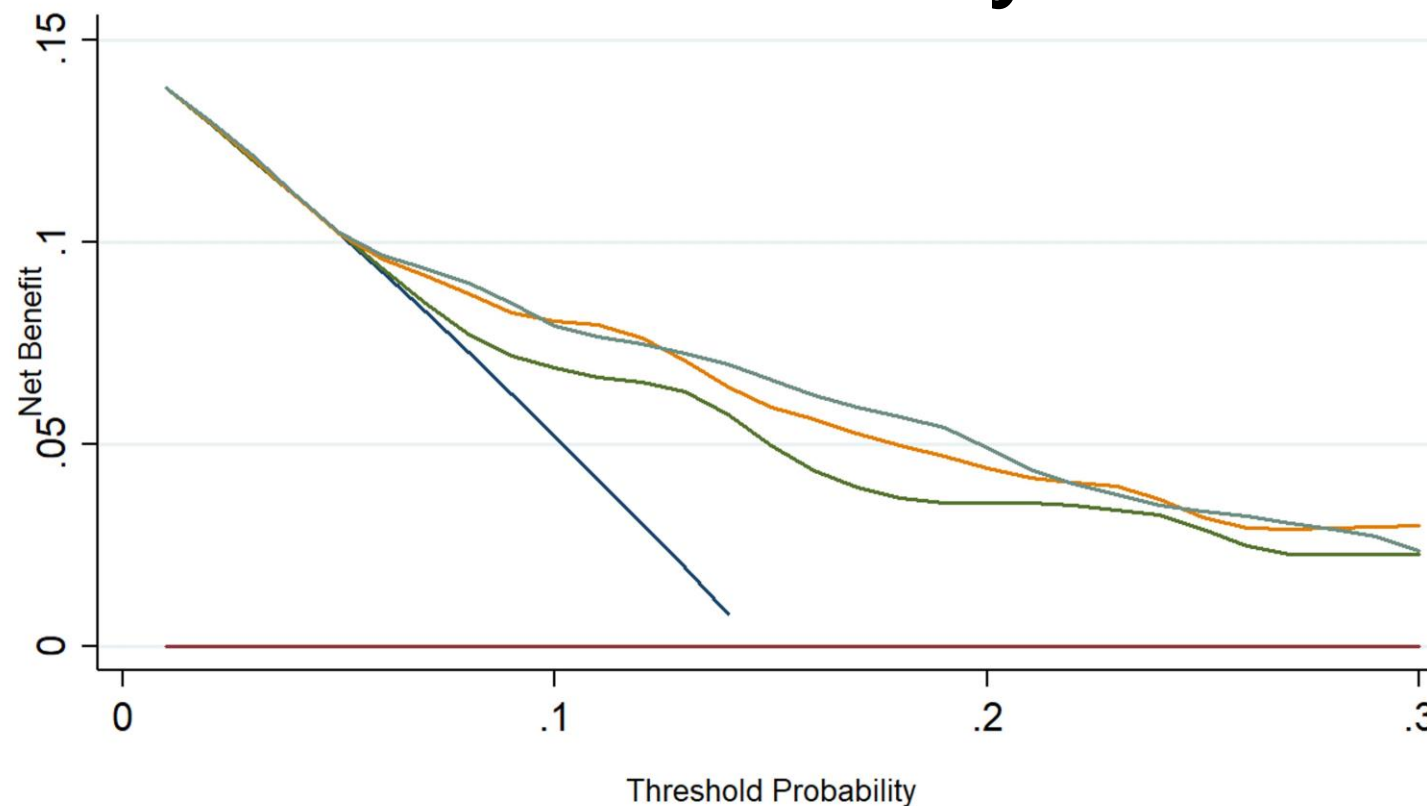
Results

Multivariable logistic regression

		Model 1		Model 2		Model 3	
		OR [95%CI]	p-value	OR [95%CI]	p-value	OR [95%CI]	p-value
Clinical parameters	PSA density	83 [10-699]	<0.001	1,434 [60-34,049]	<0.001	1,643 [2,717-41,997]	<0.001
	Age	1.0 [0.9-1.1]	0.05	1.1 [1.0-1.1]	0.02	1.1 [1.0-1.1]	0.01
	Digital rectal exam status	2.2 [0.8-6.2]	0.07	2.2 [0.8-6.3]	0.13	2.1 [0.7-5.9]	0.17
MRI parameters	Index lesion diameter	-	-	0.9 [0.8-1.0]	0.212	0.9 [0.9-1.0]	0.19
	Index lesion localization	Anterior	-	ref	ref	ref	ref
		Mid	-	-	2.0 [0.7-5.7]	0.18	2.3 [0.8-6.6]
	Posterior	-	-	1.8 [0.7-4.4]	0.2	1.8 [0.7-4.5]	0.19
	Previous biopsy status	-	-	-	-	0.6 [0.3-1.4]	0.21
Area Under the Curve (AUC) [95%CI]		0.77 [0.74-0.79]		0.78 [0.75-0.79]		0.79 [0.76-0.81]	

Results

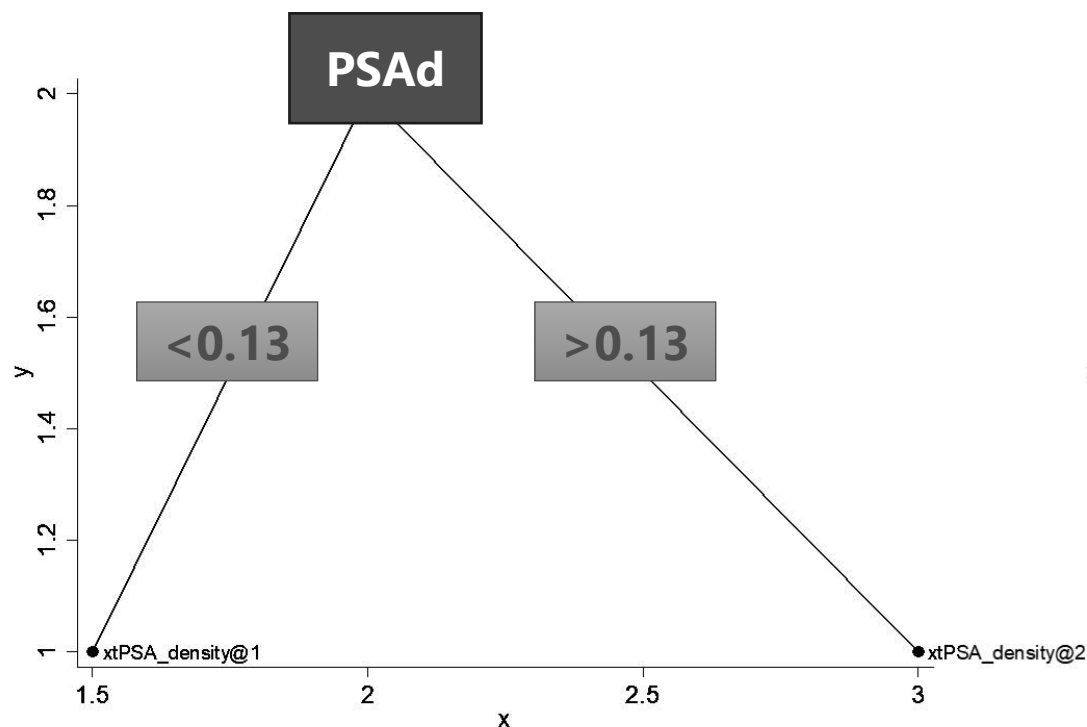
Decision curve analyses



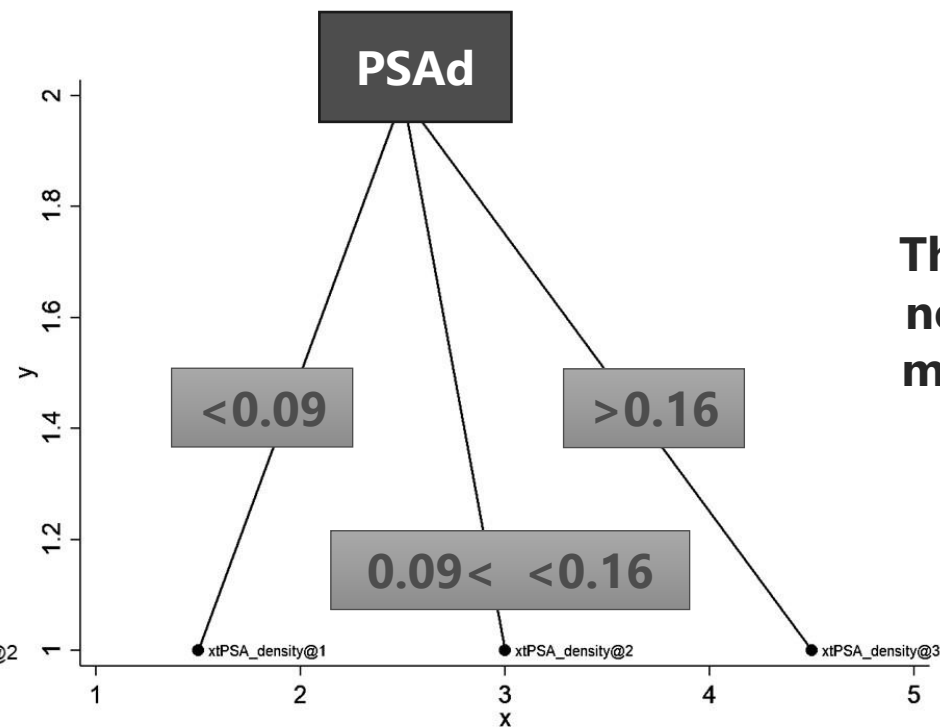
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CHAID analysis

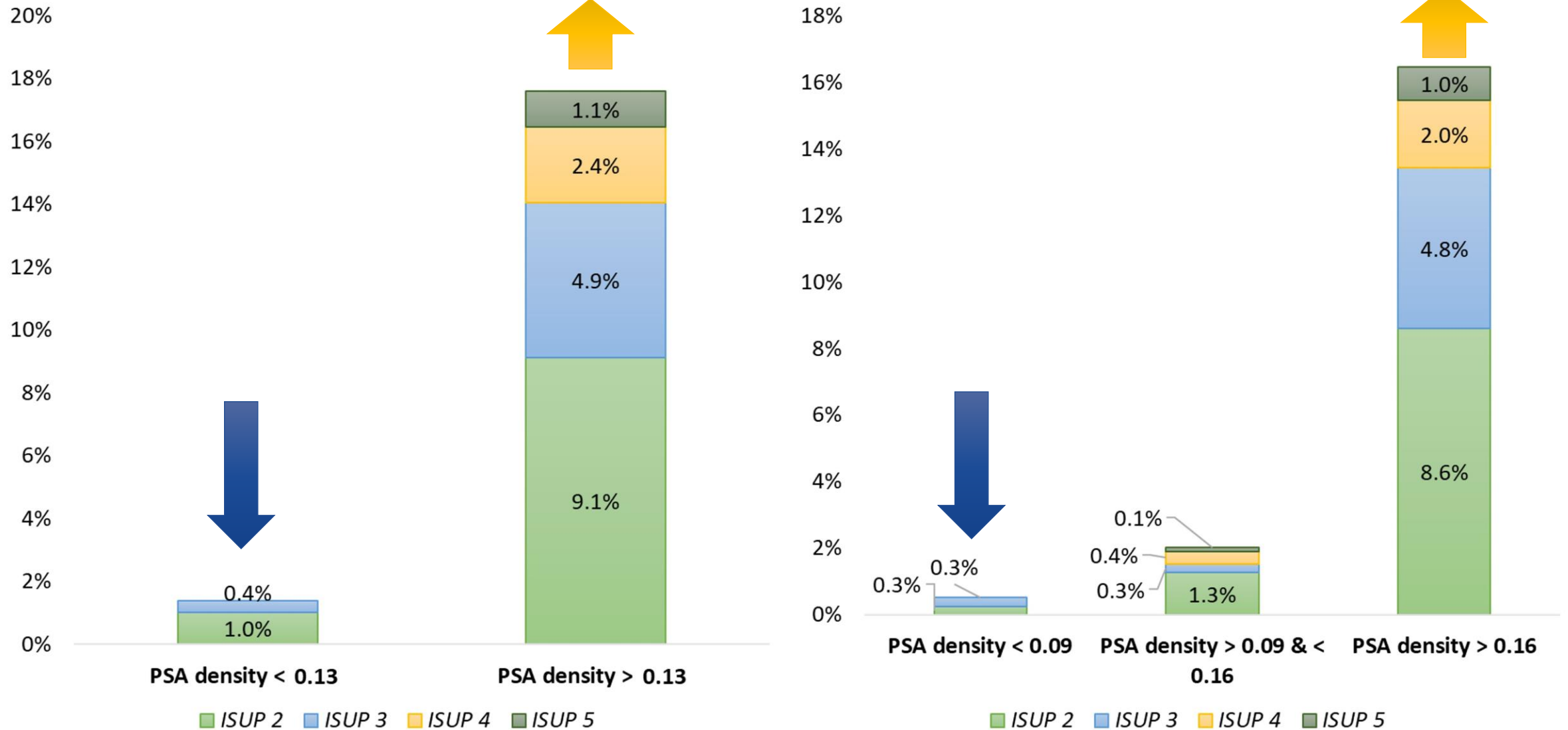
Two-
nodes
model



Three-
nodes
model



PSAd as the sole significant factor influencing the decision tree



Update of the PSA density cut-off to consider in the era of MRI-targeted biopsies when tackling PI-RADS 3 lesions

- **Largest multi-institutional European study** published to date aimed at defining the association between parameters of patients with PI-RADS 3 lesions and the presence of csPCa.
- **PSAd emerged as the only statistically significant factor** influencing the construction of the decision tree, with a cut-off of 0.13 in the two-nodes model and 0.09-0.16 in the three-nodes model.
- This nuanced strategy may lead to **more precise and informed decision-making**, potentially **sparing certain patients from an unnecessary invasive procedure**.



Conclusion

For individuals with PI-RADS 3 lesions and a PSA_d below 0.13, especially below 0.09, prostate biopsy could be omitted, in order to avoid overdiagnosis of non-csPCa.

Thank you for your attention



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**We know what we
are, but know not
what we may be.**

