

# **Maxillomandibular Advancement (MMA)**

## **for Obstructive Sleep Apnea**

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# What's at stake?

- An estimated 13% of adult men and 6% of adult women have moderate to severe sleep disordered breathing

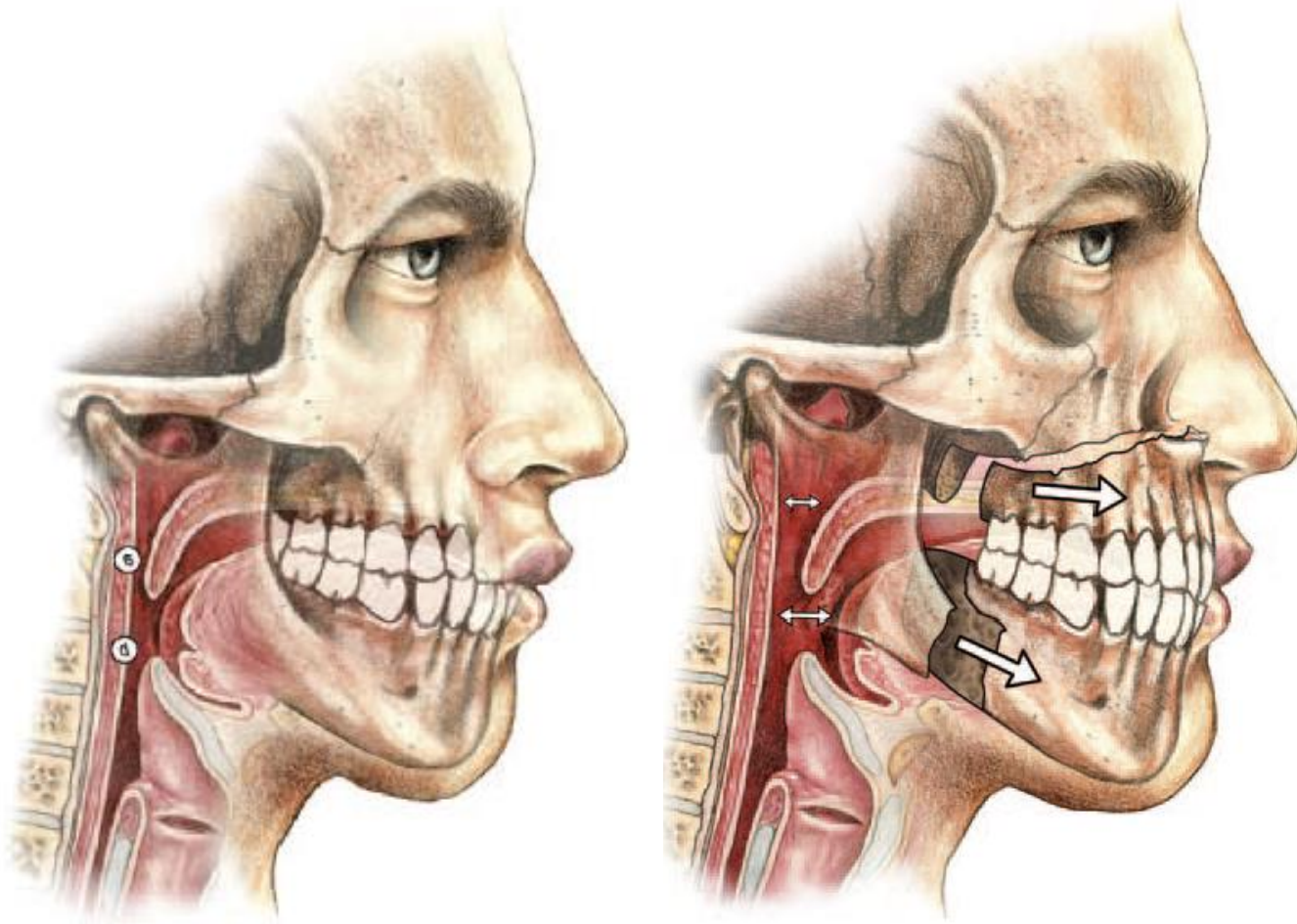
# What's at stake?

- Daytime somnolence, fatigue
- Hyperactivity, neurocognitive impairment
- Pulmonary hypertension and right ventricular hypertrophy, stroke and cardiometabolic disease
- Hypertension
  - 2.9x greater in patients with AHI > 15 compared to <5 over a 4 year period
- Mortality
  - 3x increase in patients with AHI >30 compared to patients without SDB

What is the role of jaw surgery?

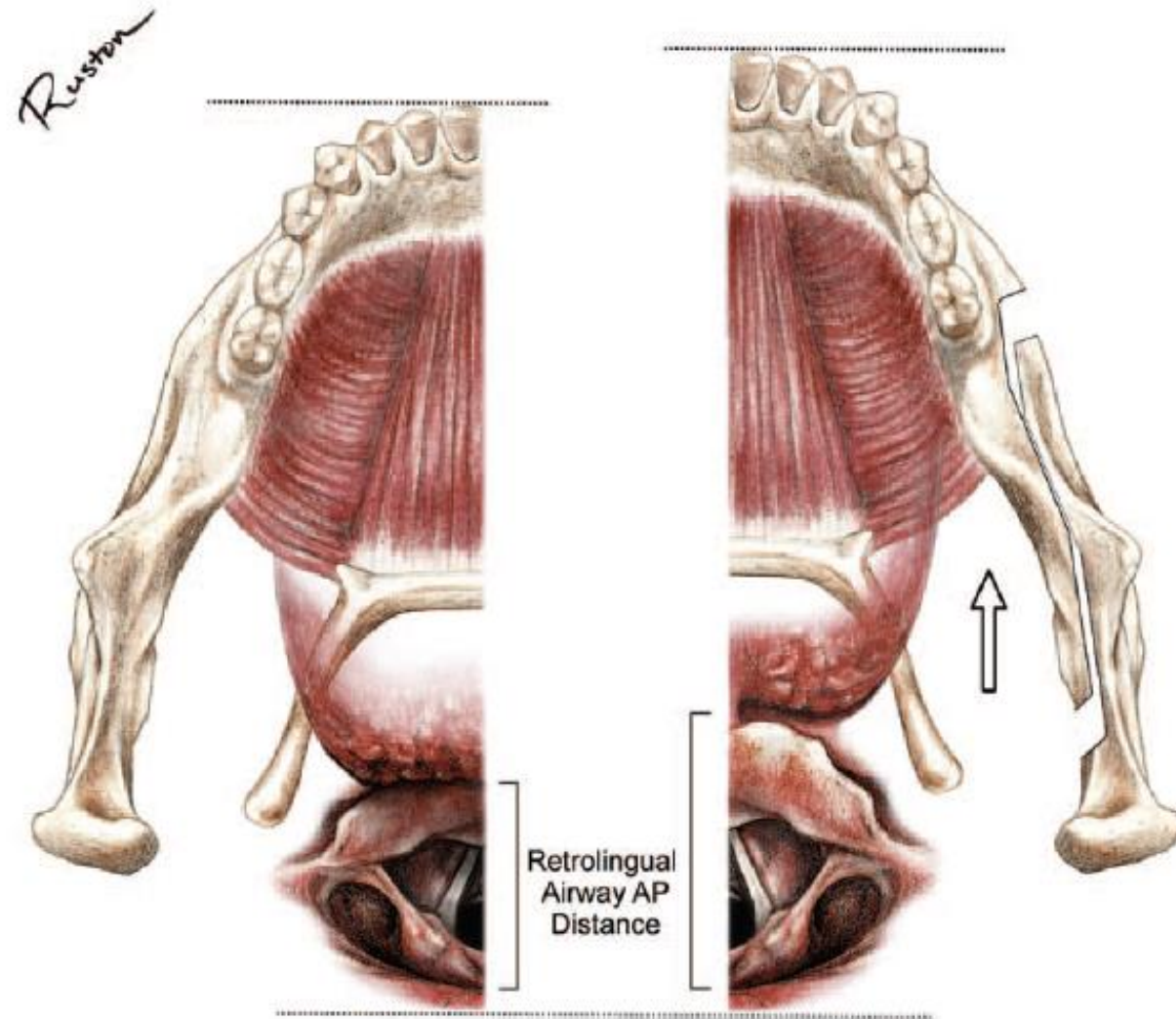
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# What is maxillomandibular advancement?

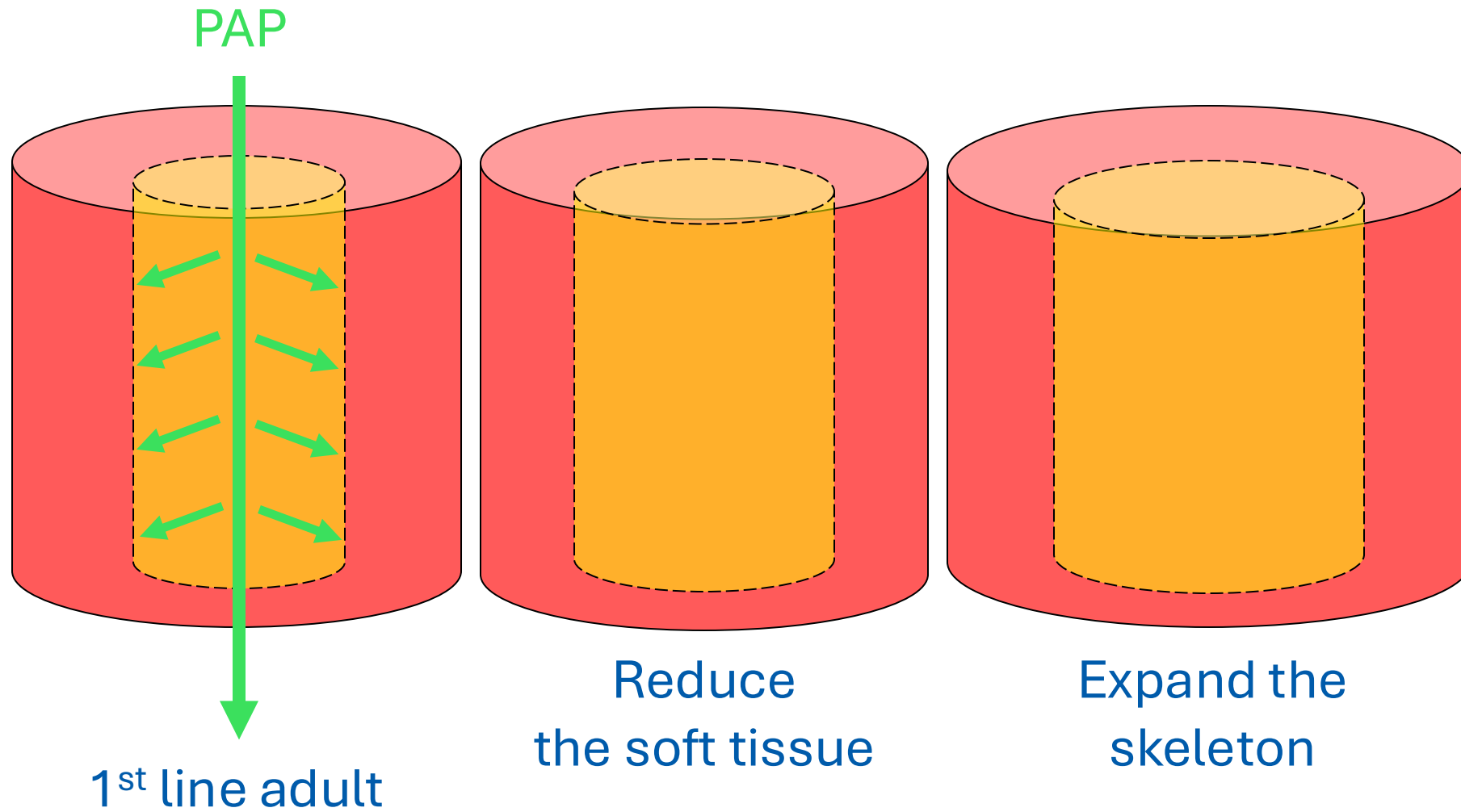


- Multilevel airway expansion
- Maxillary advancement
- Mandibular Advancement

# Mandibular Advancement



# Treatment Concept



# Case Example



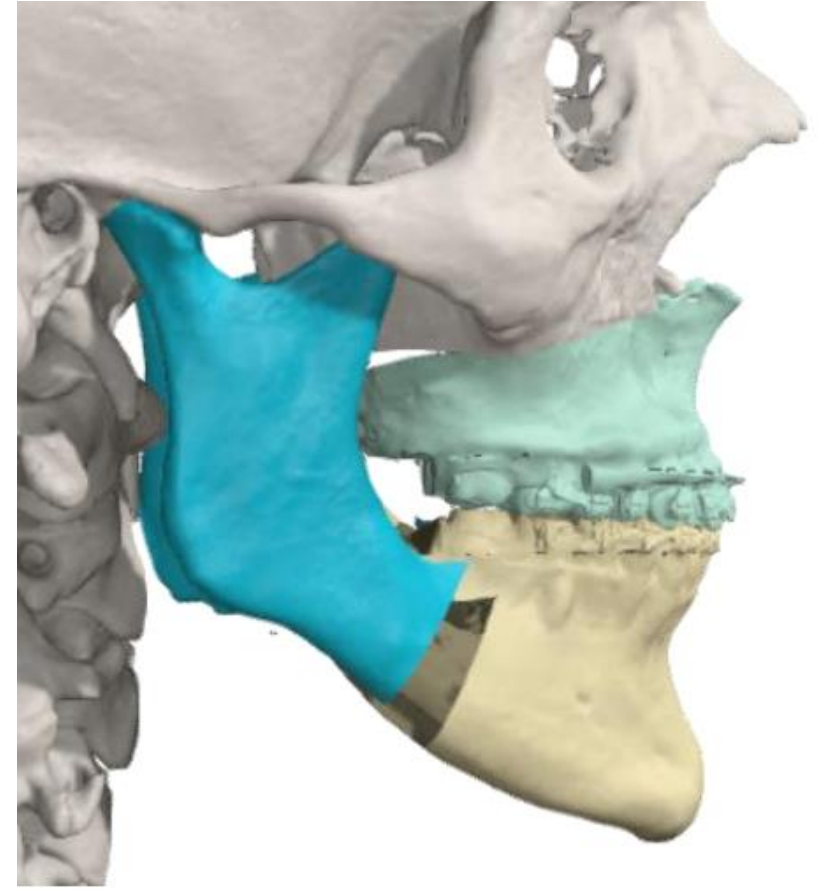
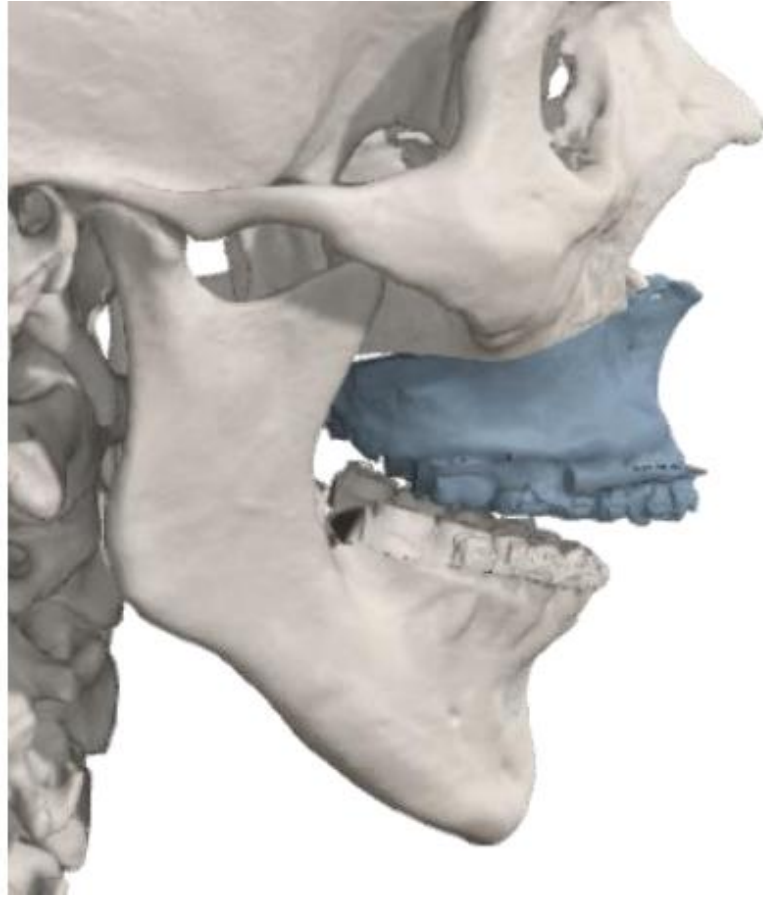
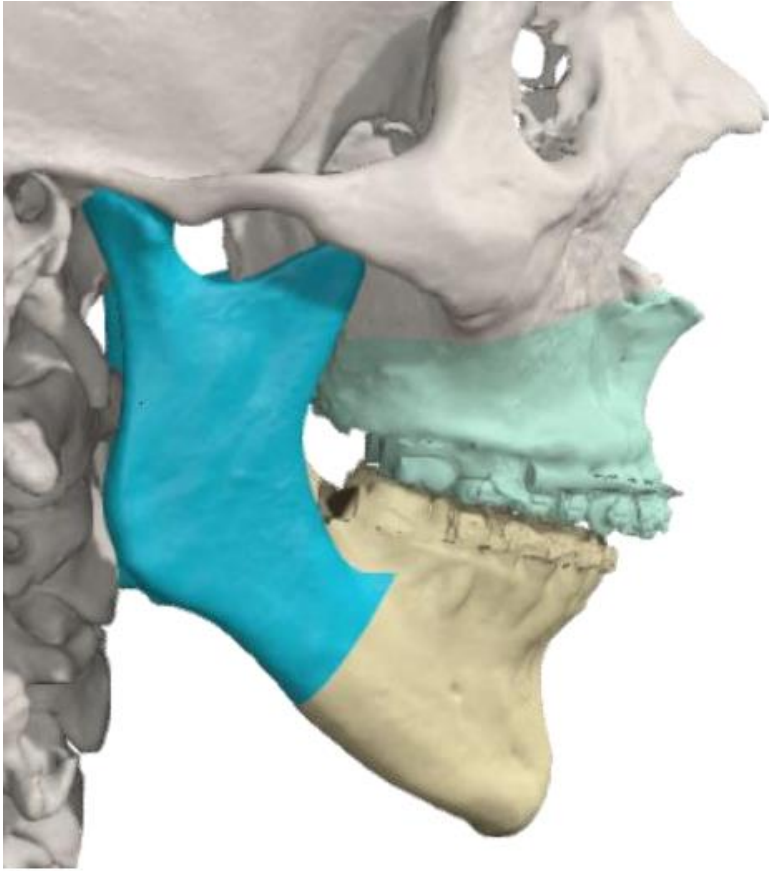
- 31 year old male with OSA, AHI 46, lowest O2 sat 84%
- Failed to tolerate CPAP

# Maxillofacial Assessment

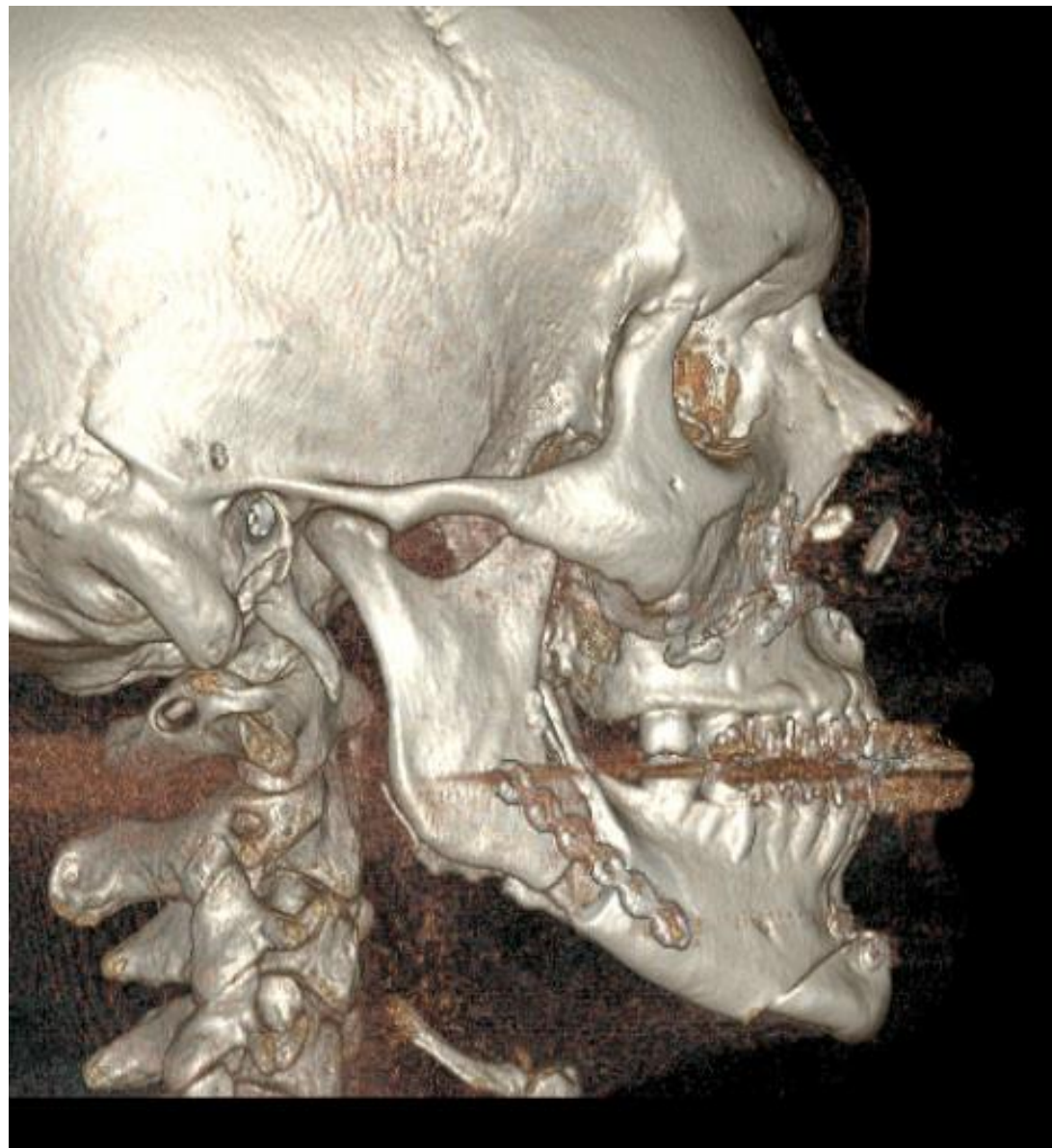
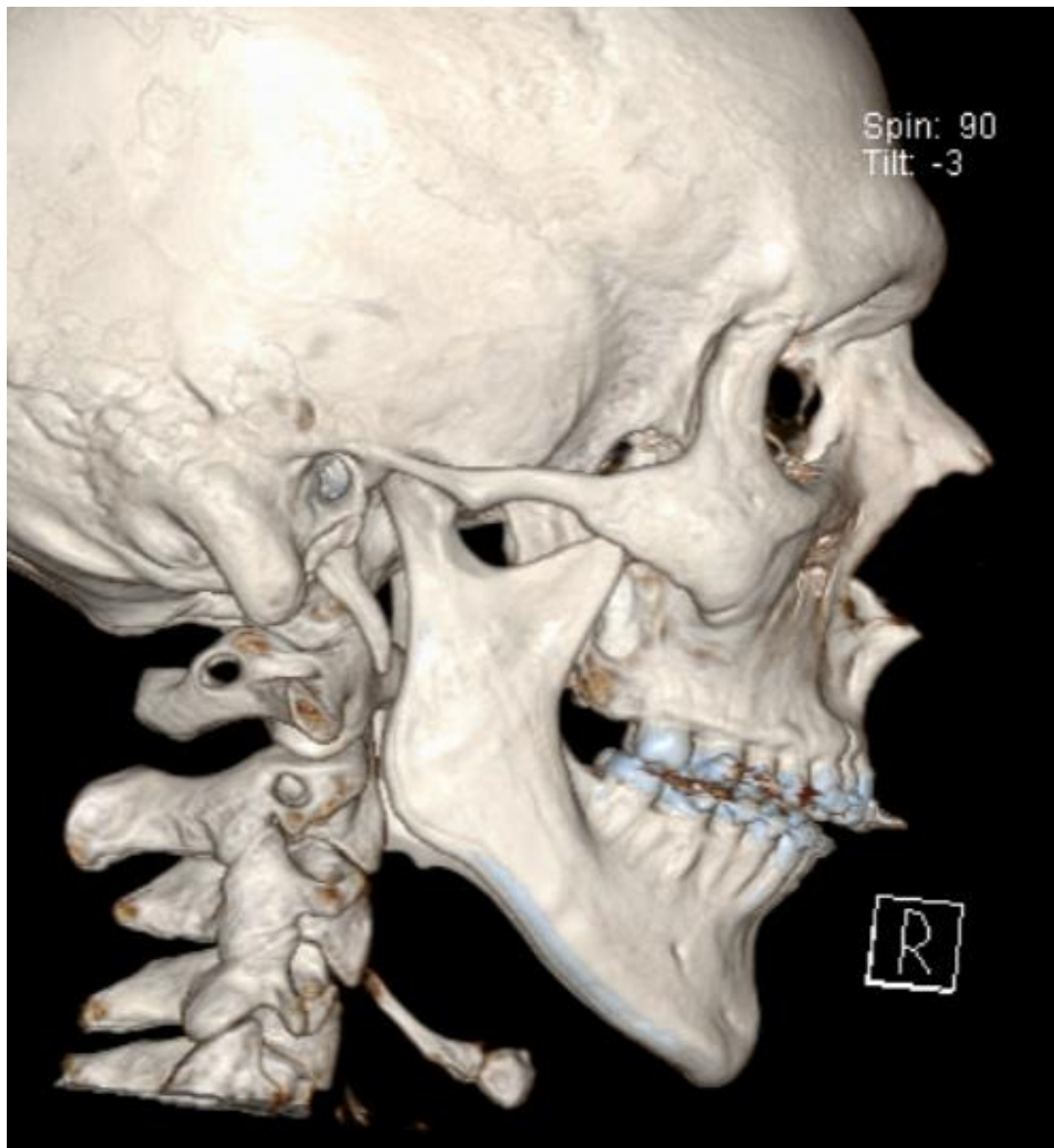


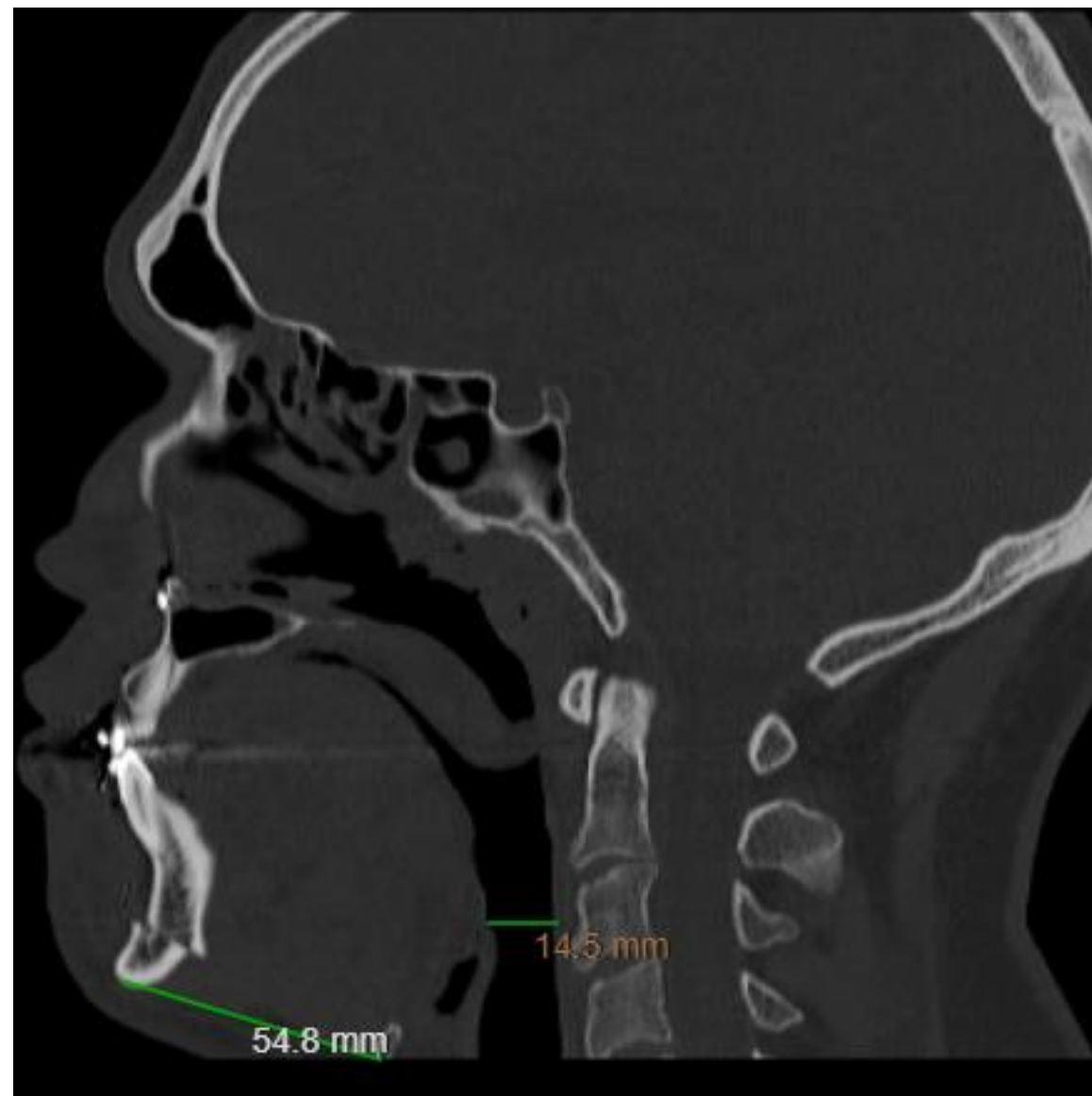
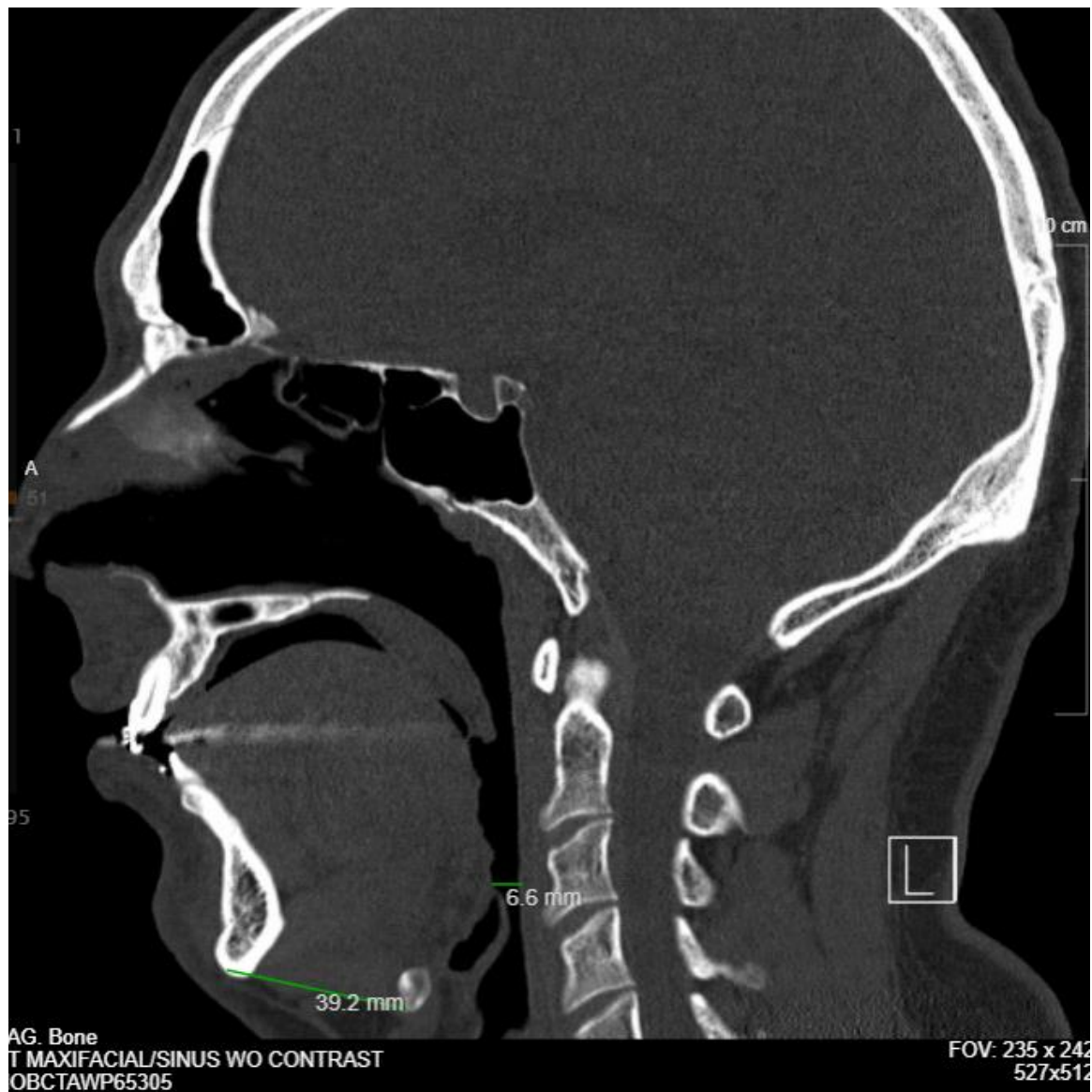
- Small jaw (micrognathic)
- Flat neck line
- Overbite

# Jaw Surgery Plan



- Multilevel expansion of the upper airway









- Preop (left) AHI 46, Postop (right) AHI 1.9



- Preop (left) AHI 46, Postop (right) AHI 1.9

# Surgery Algorithm

OSA confirmed by sleep study



Pt tolerates  
CPAP well

Pt does not  
tolerate CPAP



BMI > 35,  
ASA 4

Consider  
surgical options

## SURGERY FOR OSA IN ADULTS: REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS

## Surgical Modifications of the Upper Airway for Obstructive Sleep Apnea in Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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Table 1—Evidence table

| Type of Surgery       | Quality assessment |                  |                        | Summary of findings |    |                             |                  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------------|------------------|
|                       | No. of studies     | Study Design     | Limitations            | No of patients      |    | % reduction in AHI (95% CI) | Quality          |
| MMA                   | 9                  | Observational    | Serious                | 234                 | NA | 87% (80 to 92)              | ⊗○○○<br>Very low |
| UPPP                  | 15                 | Observational    | Serious                | 950                 | NA | 33% (23 to 42)              | ⊗○○○<br>Very low |
| LAUP <sup>a</sup>     | 2                  | Randomized trial | No serious limitations | 34                  | 36 | 18% (35 to -3) <sup>b</sup> | ⊗⊗○○<br>Low      |
| RFA <sup>c</sup>      | 8                  | Observational    | Serious                | 175                 | NA | 34% (19-46)                 | ⊗○○○<br>Very low |
| Implants <sup>d</sup> | 2                  | Observational    | Serious                | 69                  | NA | 26% (9-29)                  | ⊗○○○<br>Very low |

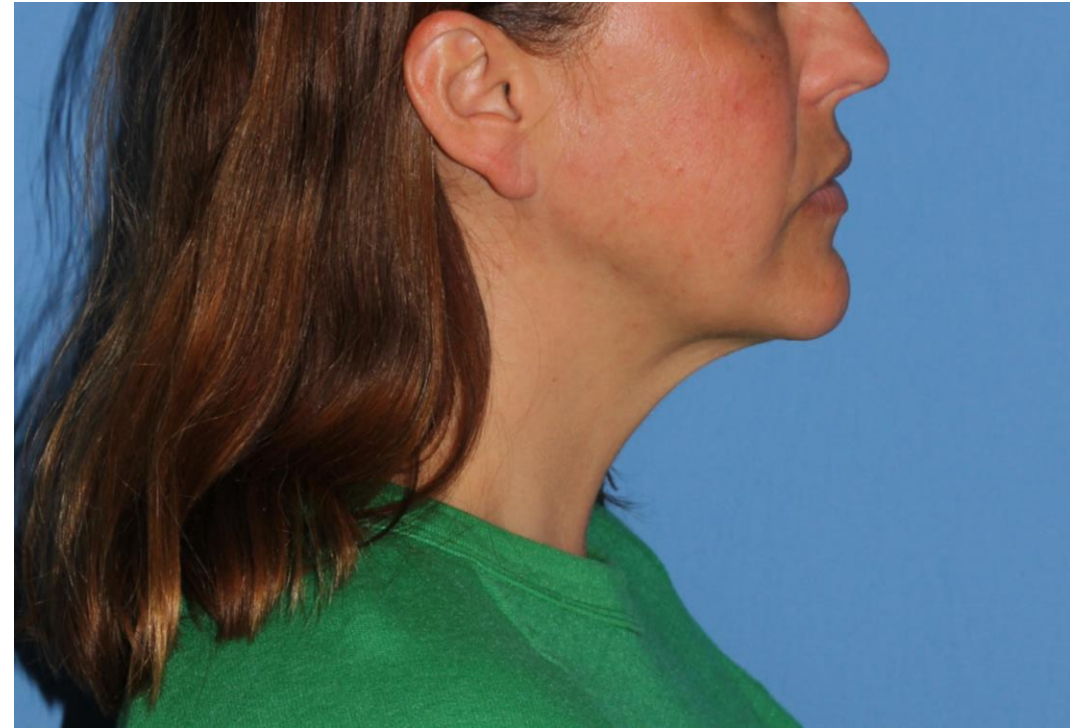
# MMA Outcomes Meta-Analysis

- 45 studies, 518 patients/interventions
- 197/268 (73.5%) of patients had undergone a prior OSA procedure
- 512/518 (98.8%) of patients showed improvement
- Mean 80.1% reduction in AHI, 64.6% reduction in RDI
- Mean oxygen nadir improved from 70.1% (15.6%) to 87.0% (5.2%)
- Epworth Sleepiness Scale score improved from 13.5 (5.2) to 3.2 (3.2)
- Surgical success 85.5% (389/455 patients with AHI data)
- Surgical cure 38.5% (175/455 patients with AHI data)
- Preop AHI < 60 was associated with a greater likelihood of cure
- Patients with preop AHI > 60 experienced large and substantial net improvements in AHI

# Case Examples



- 24 year old male failed to tolerate CPAP, BMI 32
- Preop AHI 49.8, Postop 14.7 (using 3% criteria)



- 45yF BMI 27, AHI 32.6, could not tolerate CPAP
- Postop AHI 8.7 (3%), 5.0 (4%), snoring resolved, breathing dramatically improved



- 61yM BMI 29, AHI 42.4, prior Inspire (3.1v), subsequent AHI 14, dislikes Inspire, tongue irritation and wakes him up, had a prior chin implant
- Postop MMA + Inspire (2.2v): AHI 3.2



- 37yM AHI 23.7, Lowest O2 sat 75%, DISE showed lateral/concentric pharyngeal collapse, poor Inspire candidate.
- Postop MMA: AHI 6.2 (3% criteria), 2.0 (4% criteria). lowest O2 sat 90%



- 31yM AHI 15.1, lowest O2 sat 85%
- Postop MMA: AHI 1.8; lowest O2 sat 94%

# Surgery Overview

- Surgery with or without orthodontics
- Obtain insurance preauthorization
- Obtain maxillofacial CT scan and dental models 2-4 weeks before surgery for virtual surgical planning
- Procedure time: 5-6 hours
- General anesthesia
- 1-2 nights in the hospital (average)
- Postoperative follow-up every 1-2 weeks for the first 6 weeks

# Recovery

- Facial swelling
- Facial numbness
- Dietary restrictions
  - Pureed/soft non-chew for 6 weeks
  - No hard or chewy foods for at least 3 months
- Multimodal pain control
  - NSAIDs very helpful
  - Usually off narcotics by one week postop
- If choosing to proceed without braces, may benefit from postoperative clear aligners (Invisalign) or braces

# Surgical Risks



MALOCCLUSION/RELAPSE



LIP/FACIAL/ORAL/GUM  
NUMBNESS



RESIDUAL OSA

# Additional, Less Common Surgical Risks

Major bleeding

Infection

Tooth injury or loss

Bone loss

Palatal fistula

Hardware failure

Tongue numbness

Nasal obstruction,  
sinus obstruction,  
septal perforation

Facial weakness

Jaw stiffness

Chronic facial pain

Eye injury

TMJ  
derangement/condylar  
resorption

Wound Healing  
problems: bone, soft  
tissue

Prolonged jaw wiring

Medical  
complications (ex.  
DVT, MI, stroke)

# Who is a candidate for MMA?

- AHI 15 or greater
- Age 70 or less
- BMI 35 or less
- Nonsmoker, no vaping
- ASA 3 or less
  - They may have medical comorbidities
  - Comorbidities should be well controlled and not a constant threat to life.

*These are general criteria, and there are exceptions.*

## Next Steps:

- Obtain insurance preauthorization
  - This may expire before surgery. There is no guarantee that surgery will be reauthorized after authorization has expired.
  - If and once the surgery is authorized, please call your insurance plan if you have questions about your financial responsibility.

**Thank you!**  
**Questions?**

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