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- DFUG 2012:
  - Inovio’s experiences with setting up and learning DataFax
  - Paper-based studies
  - Study start-up and closure
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- DFUG 2014:
  - Starting up our ninth DataFax study
  - No more paper
    - Moving to EDC
  - Several new oncology studies
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- Our challenge: where to start?
  - New indications
  - New kinds of data to be collected
  - More complex edit checks
  - Training for sites and monitors
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- New indications
  - Oncology is unlike our other studies (healthy volunteer, infectious disease, women’s health)
    - Breast, lung, pancreatic, head and neck, cervical
  - Each of these types of cancer is different from the other
  - Resources required for planning and execution
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- Planning
  - Oncologist feedback
  - Study Investigators
    - Assist in development of CRFs
    - Review publications
  - Public websites/resources
    - EORTC – RECIST
    - RTOG – Imaging-specific CRFs
    - EMBRACE and OUTBACK
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- New kinds of data to be collected
  - Each oncology indication has unique data
  - Imaging – unique for each study
    - PET/CT, X-rays, MRI
    - RECIST, SUV
  - Pathology/tissue sampling
  - Specific testing for eligibility
  - Chemotherapy and radiation regimens
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- CRF and database design – collect the data we need
  - Imaging
    - PET/CT – SUV
    - MRI or CT - RECIST
  - Pathology/tissue
    - ISH, IHC, other tests
  - Chemotherapy and radiation regimens
    - Cycles, doses, frequency
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- More complex edit checks
  - More than date ranges and blank responses
    - Timing of regimens/surgery in relation to enrollment or dosing
  - Changing data after PI signature
  - Checks across CRFs
  - Autopopulate CRFs
  - Look-up tables (LUT)
How did we handle programming?
- Once again, we used our trusted friends RPXP and DF/Net
  - RPXP: CRF design and help with design, visit maps
  - RPXP brought in BB to program the edit checks and LUT
  - DF/Net took over later study development
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- Training
  - Multiple sites, multiple studies
  - Sites were required to download DF to their workstations
  - DataFax was new to all of our sites and our new clinical personnel
Approach to training

- GoToMeeting set up
  - DF/Net performed the “generic” training
  - Training was documented
  - Inovio performed the study-specific training
- CRF completion guidelines
- Help desk was set up
  - Downloads, passwords, etc.
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- Additionally:
  - UAT was performed by at least two people
  - SOPs and work instructions
  - Refresher training for sites and staff
  - Standardization
    - Edit checks, CRFs
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- In summary:
  - As oncology is so unique, a unique approach was required
    - Oncologists’ feedback was very valuable
    - Other studies with public websites
  - Good learning experience
    - We can reduce development time for future studies
    - Standardize CRFs and edit checks
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