



# **COMMISSIONING A CYCLOTRON-BASED GANTRY SYSTEM FOR PENCIL BEAM SCANNING**

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# OBJECTIVES

Explain....

1. How to commission a gantry based PBS system.
2. The beam data requirements for a pencil beam scanning (PBS) proton therapy model.
3. What the future holds for PBS delivery systems

Show and tell....

1. The dosimetry equipment used for commissioning
2. In-house modifications, tools, software used in commissioning and QA.

# PROVISION CENTER FOR PROTON THERAPY

IBA C230 Proton Therapy System

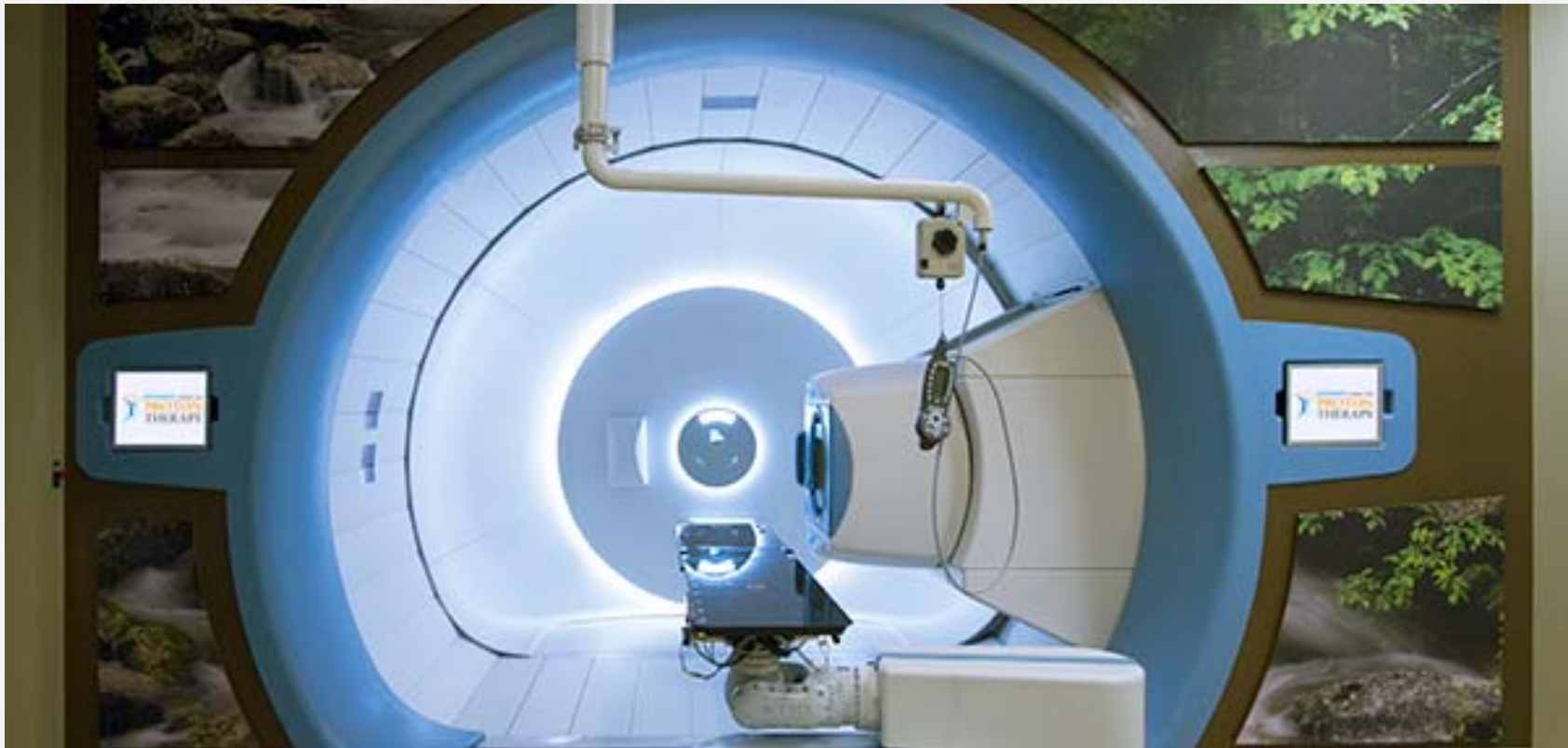
RayStation TPS

Mosaiq Oncology Information System

KUKA Robotic Patient Positioning System

Verisuite (Medcom) IGRT Sysytem

IBA Dosimetry Equipment



# ACCEPTANCE

SAFETY

MECHANICAL

COLINEARITY

LASERS

ISOCENTRICITY

IMAGE QUALITY

PPS

RANGE

OUTPUT (TRS-398)

SPOT POSITION

SPOT SHAPE

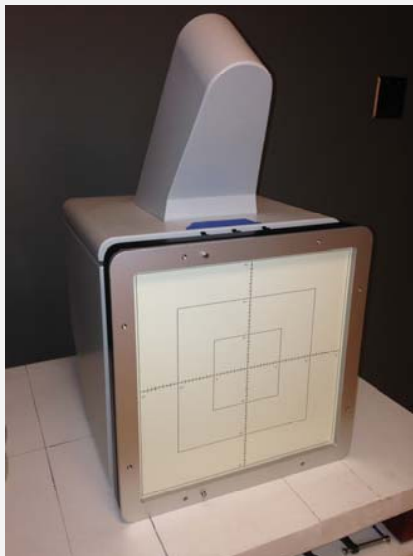
IGRT

CONNECTIVITY

GANTRY FACTORS



# COMMISSIONING/QA EQUIPMENT



Lynx

IBA Zebra (MLIC = Multi Layer Ion Chamber)

IBA MatriXX PT (2D Ion Chamber Array)

IBA DigiPhant (Water Tank)

IBA Lynx (Scintillator/CCD Camera System)

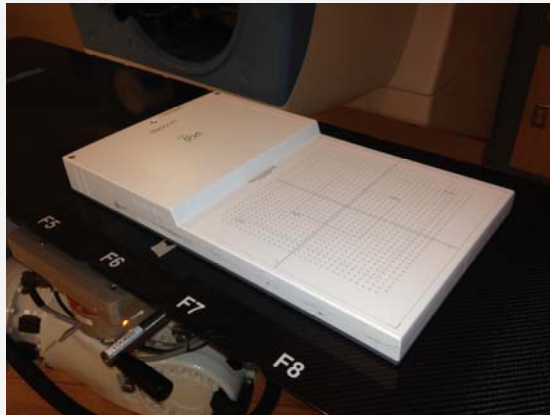
IBA PPC05 (Parallel Plate Ion Chamber)



DigiPhant



Zebra



MatriXX PT



PPC05

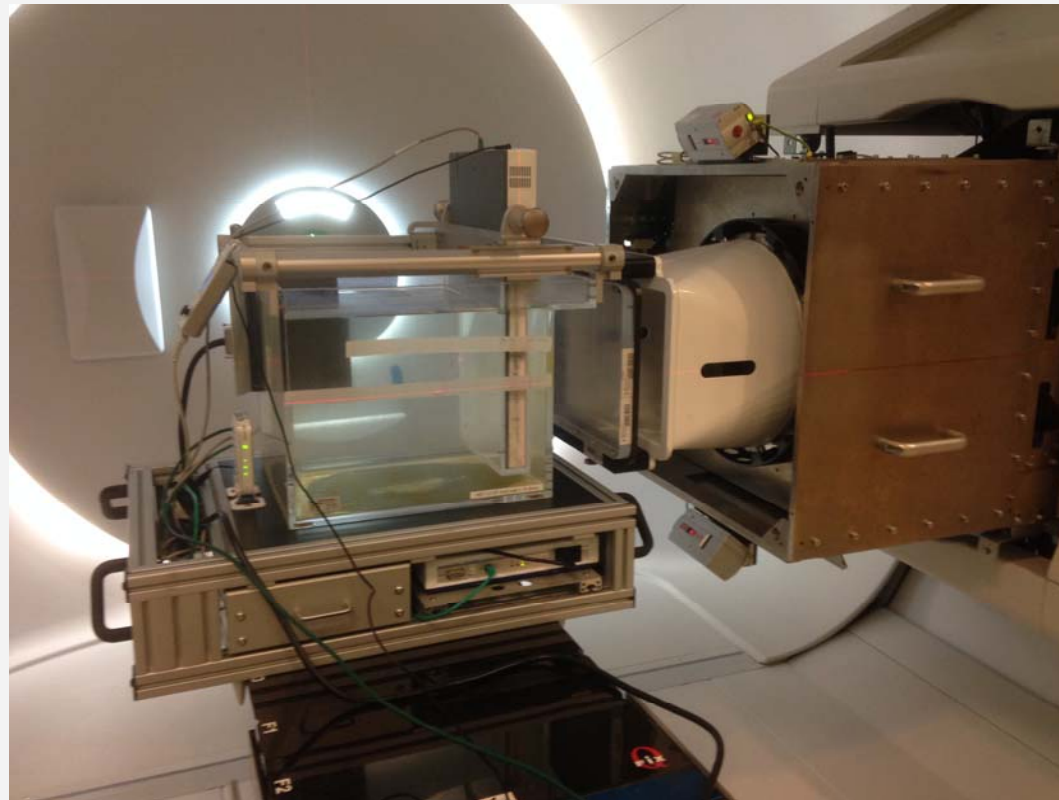
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## Cart System



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# TPS COMMISSIONING DATA

## System Requirements

- Support for discrete spot position (step and shoot)
- Support for continuous choice of beam energies
- Range shifters of fixed thickness mounted at a fixed position along the axis. Any number of range shifters can be defined.
- All beam data is invariant w.r.t.
  - Magnitude of beam deflection in X and Y
  - Gantry angle

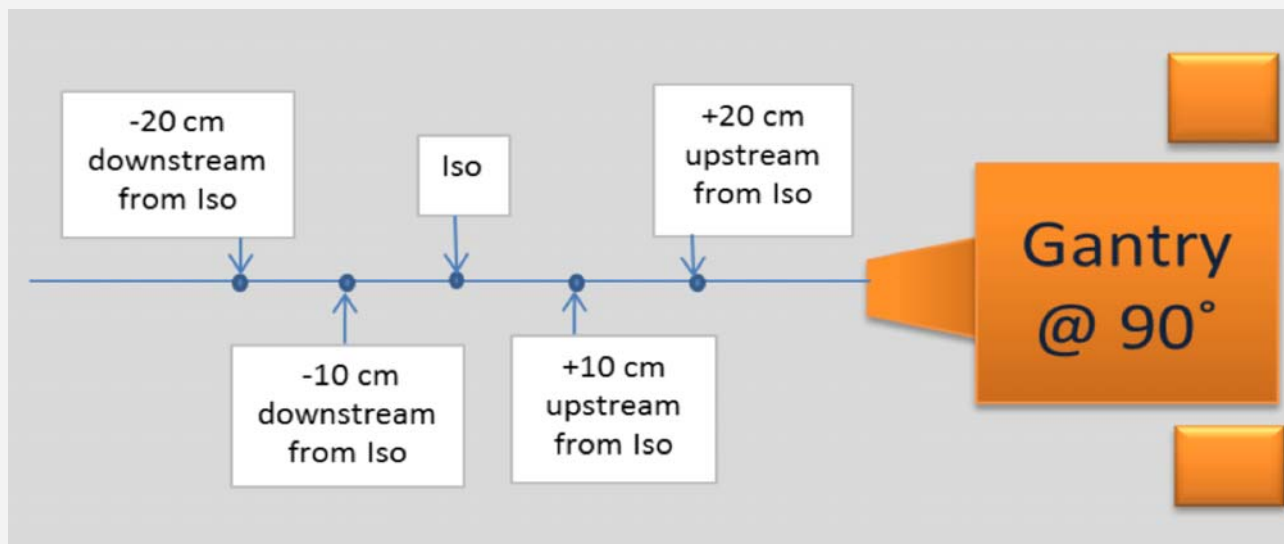
MACHINE DATA SPECIFICATIONS FOR RAYSTATION PBS		
Machine Name	GTR1	
Min Nominal Beam Energy Limit	98.5	MeV
Max Nominal Beam Energy Limit	226.08	MeV
Max Scan Field Size (@ Iso)	30X40	cm
Spot Tune ID	4.0	
Snout ID	30x40	
Snout Position	0-50	cm
Range Shifter Material	Acrylic	
Range Shifter ID	RS40	
	RS75	
	RS0	
Range Shifter Physical Thickness	3.5	cm
	6.5	cm
	0.0	cm
Range Shifter WET	4.0	cm
	7.5	cm
	0.0	cm
Supported Gantry Angle	0-360	degrees
Supported Couch Angles	0-360	degrees
Coordinate System (See Diagram)	IEC 61217	
Minimum MU per Spot	0.02	MU
Maximum MU per Spot	12	MU



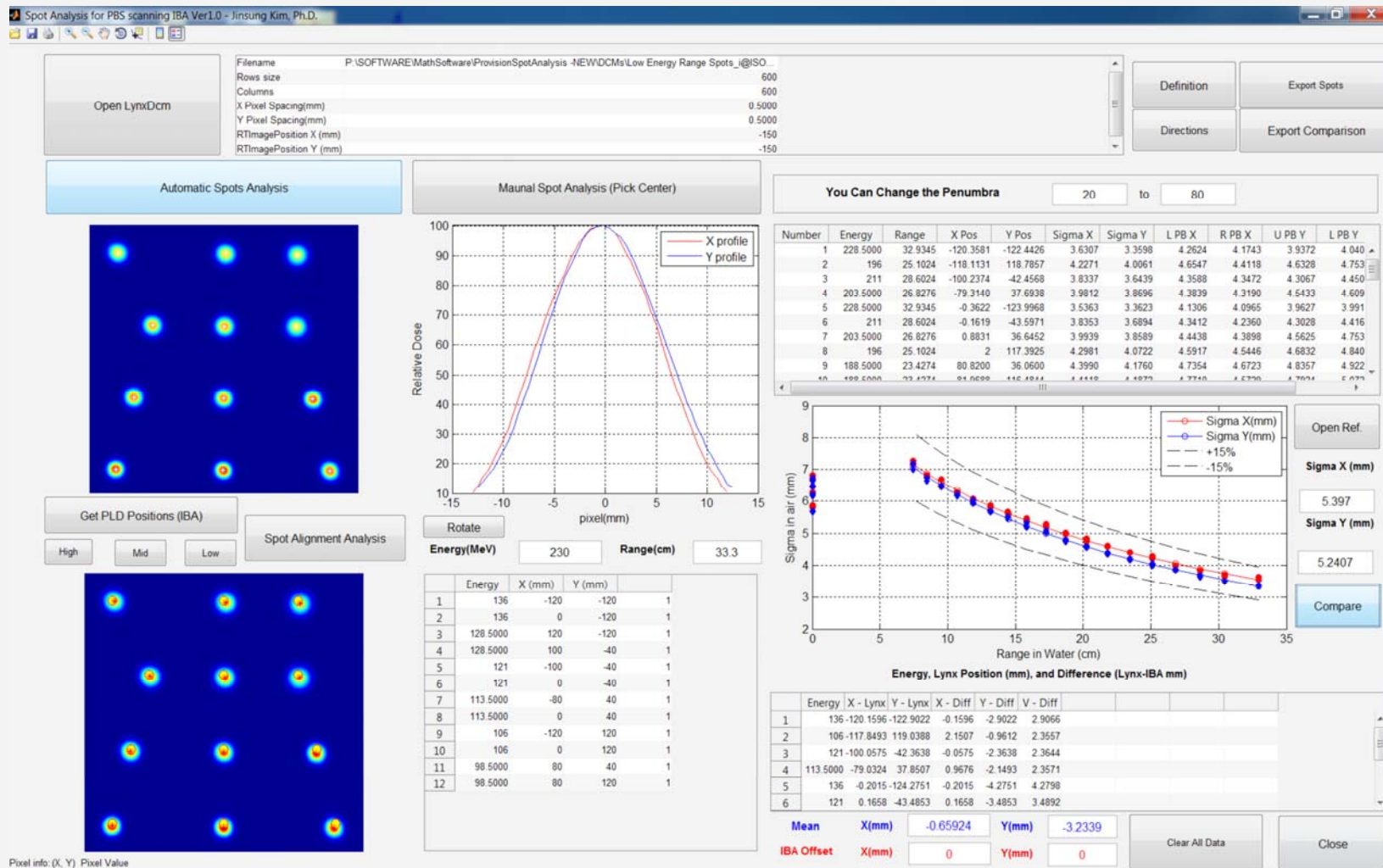
# TPS COMMISSIONING DATA

## Beam Spot Shape

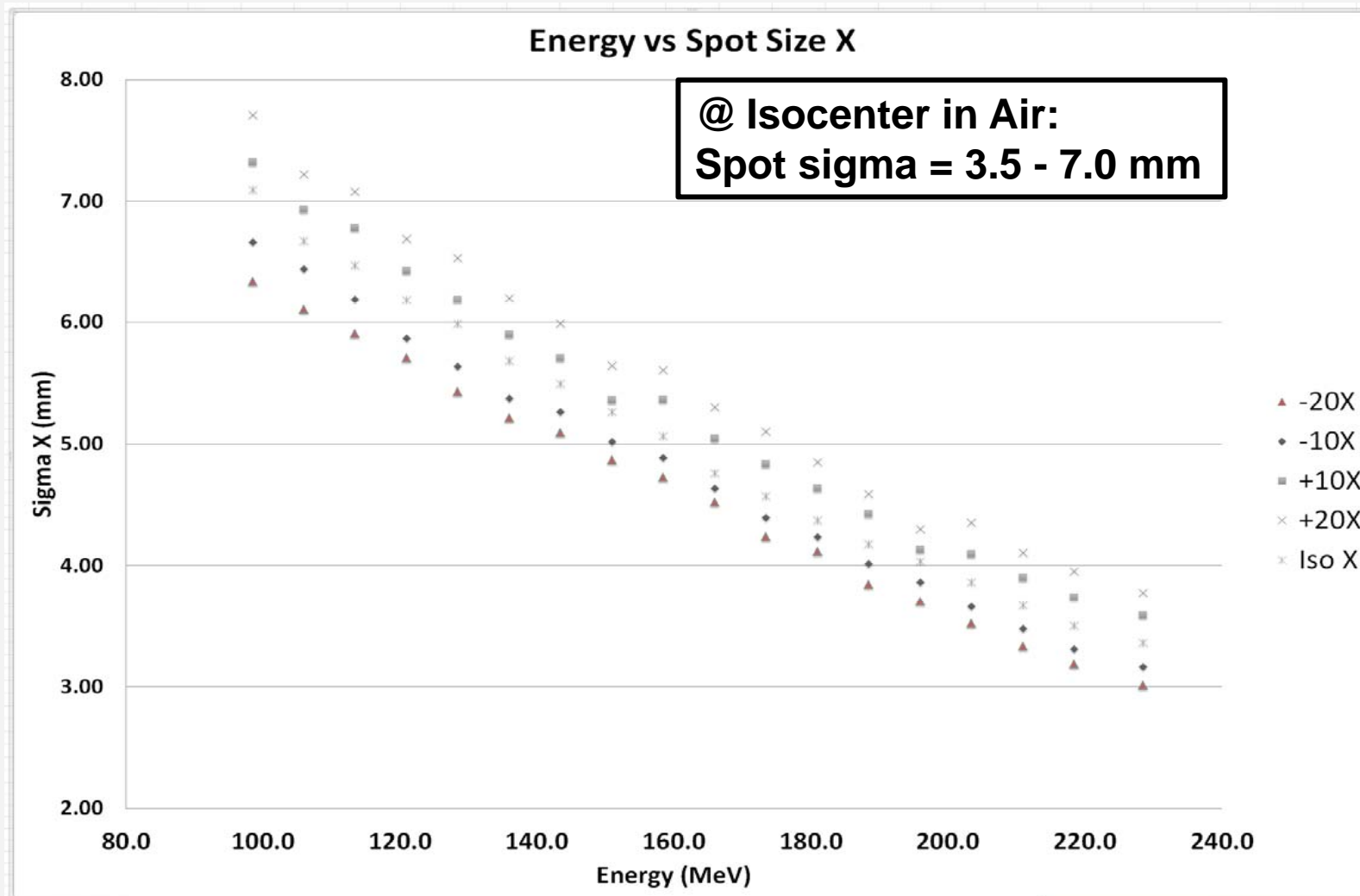
- Use same energies as Bragg peak measurements.
- In air single spot fluence profiles along the Gantry X and Y axes.
- A minimum of three planes at three different distances along the beam axis. Five are recommended.
- We measured planes at Isocenter,  $\pm 10\text{cm}$  and  $\pm 20\text{cm}$



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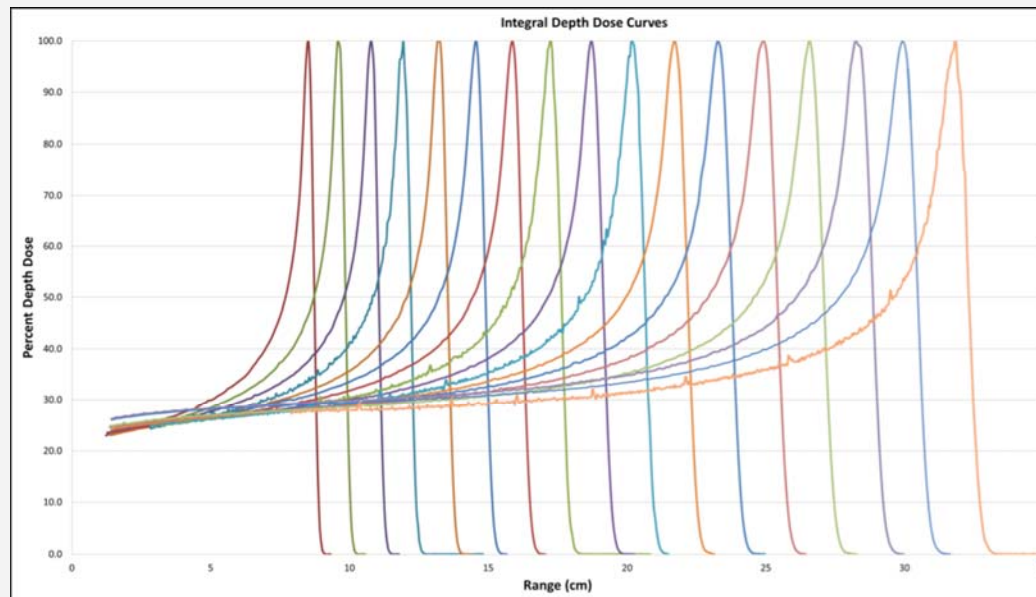
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## Pristine Bragg Peaks

- In Water
- Integrating ion chamber (PTW Bragg Peak Chamber)
- Include max and min energies
- Energy spacing of 1-2 cm
- Measure with continuous pencil beam positioned at central axis

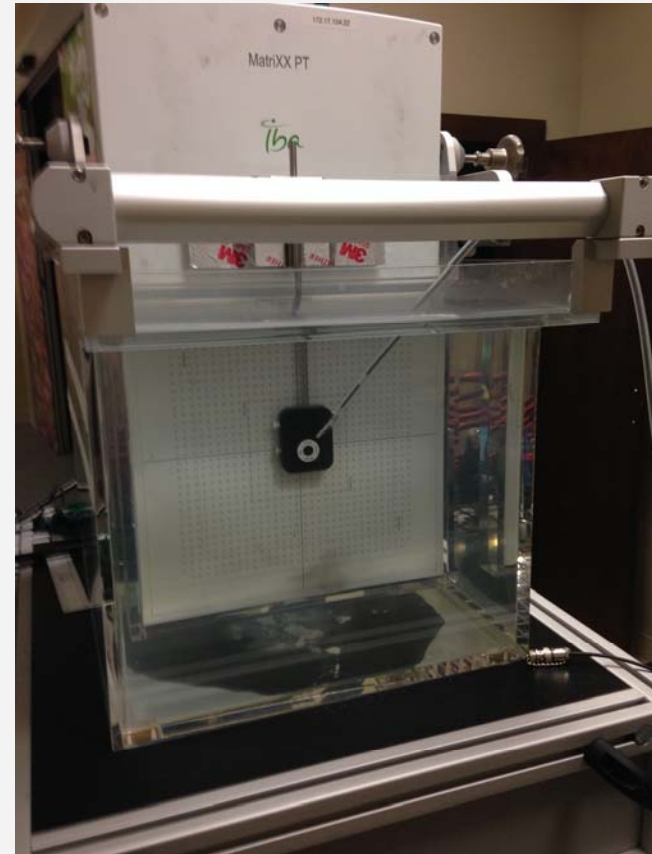




# TPS COMMISSIONING DATA

## Absolute MU Calibration

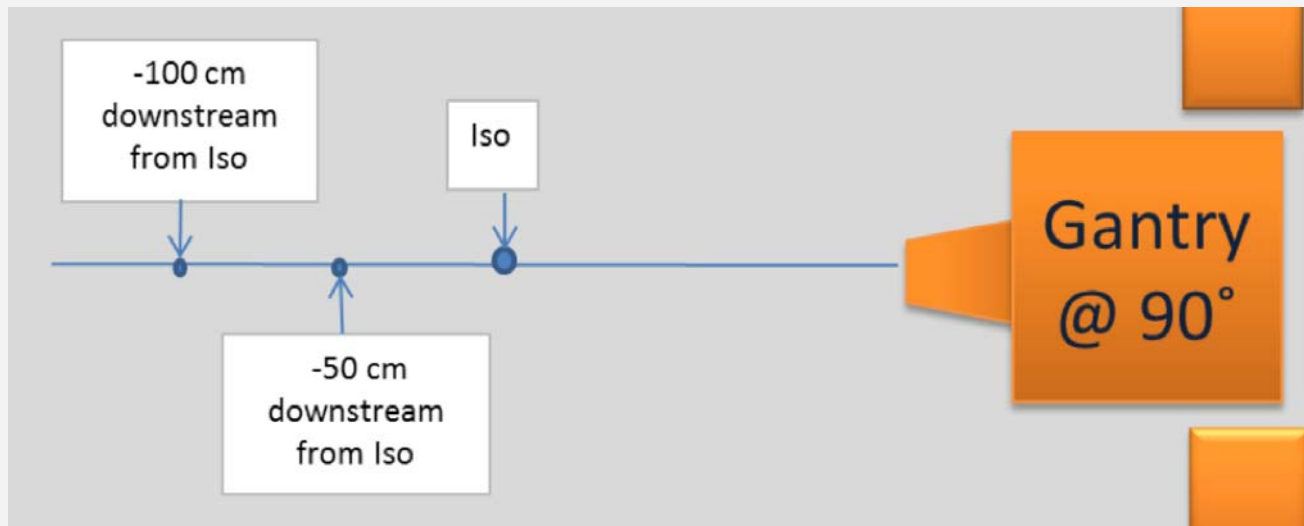
- In Water
- Calibrated parallel plate chamber (IBA PPC05)
- Use same energies as Bragg peak measurements.
- Use scanned mono-energetic beams.
- Performed at a depth midway between 1cm and one half the position of the Bragg peak maximum
- Record the following:
  - Isocenter to phantom surface distance
  - Depth of measurement
  - Scanning area
  - Spot spacing



# TPS COMMISSIONING DATA

## Virtual Source Axis Distance

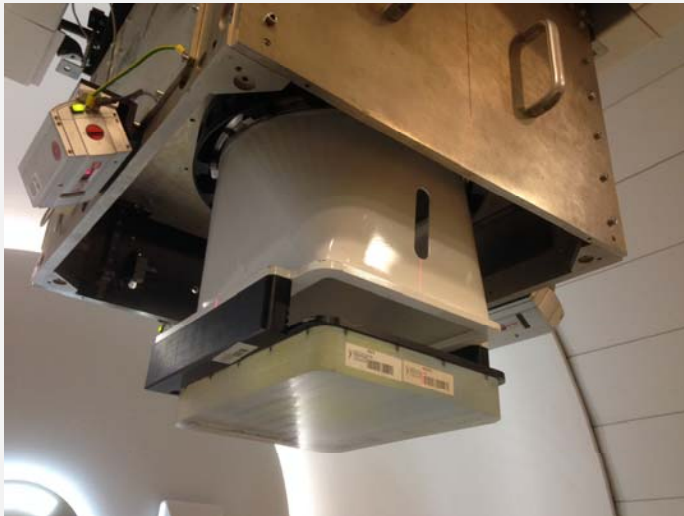
- Fluence profiles along the gantry X and Y in air for a squared scanned field.
- Profiles are measured at three different positions along the beam line axis within the range of therapeutic interest.
- Measurements should be repeated for different energies within the beam energy limits
- We measured SAD = 213cm



# TPS COMMISSIONING DATA

## Range Shifter

- The effect of a range shifter is in the RayStation dose engine, and no beam modeling data is therefore required.
- We use acrylic range shifters with a WET of 75mm (physical 65mm) and 40mm (physical 35mm).



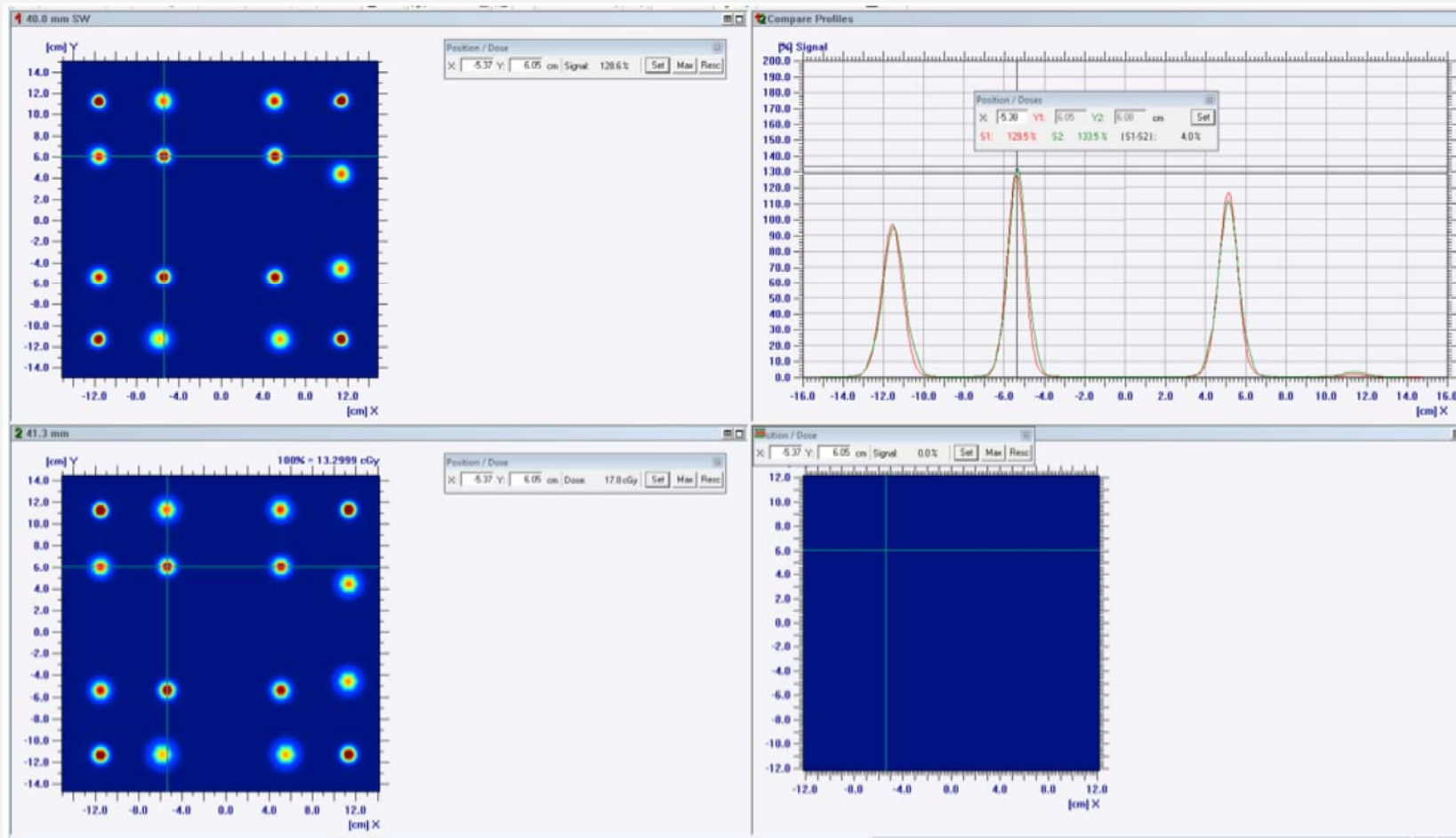
Snout 30X40cm with 75mm  
WET range shifter



Snout 18cm with 75mm  
WET range shifter

# TPS VERIFICATION

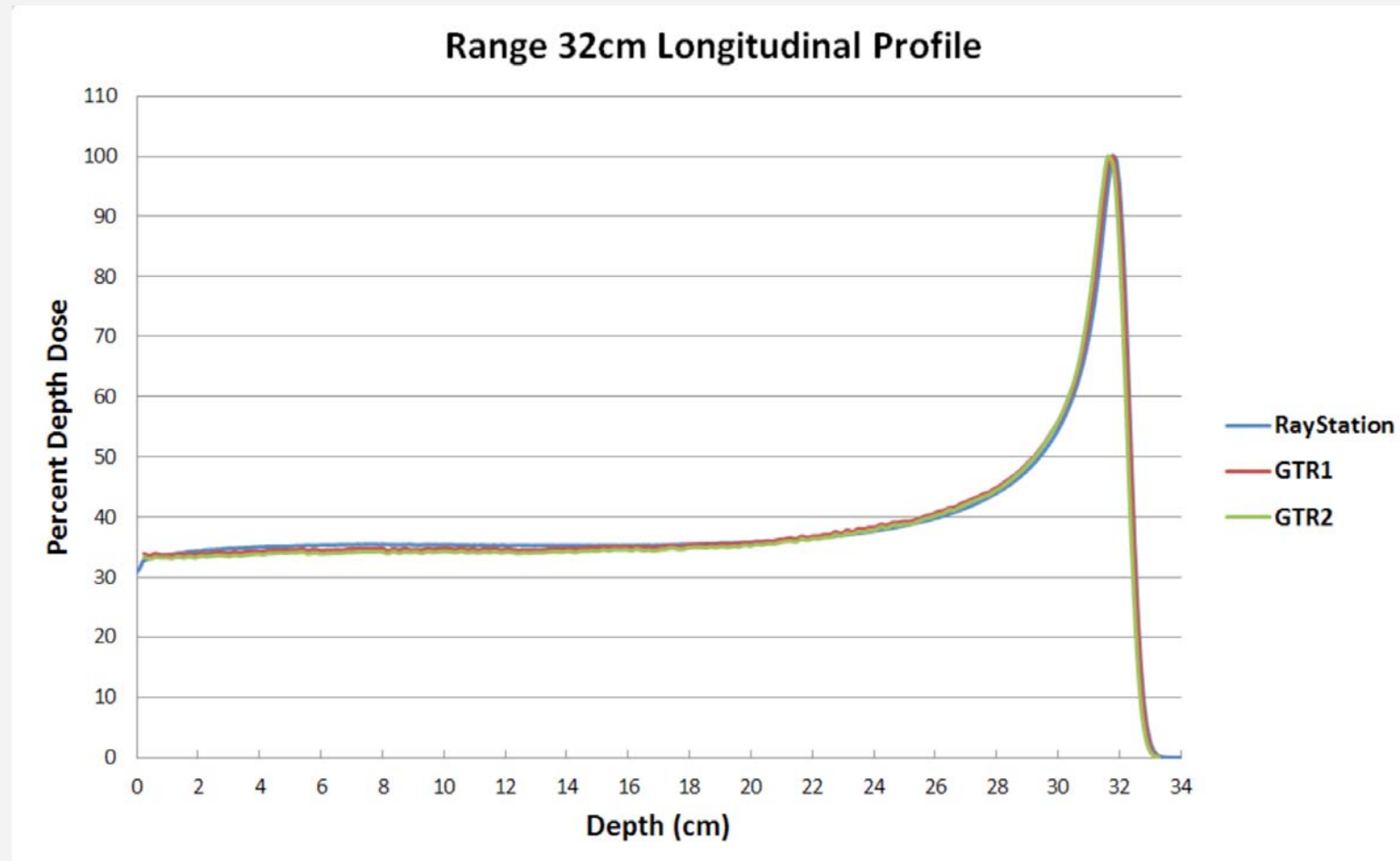
## Spot Position & Shape (MatriXX PT)





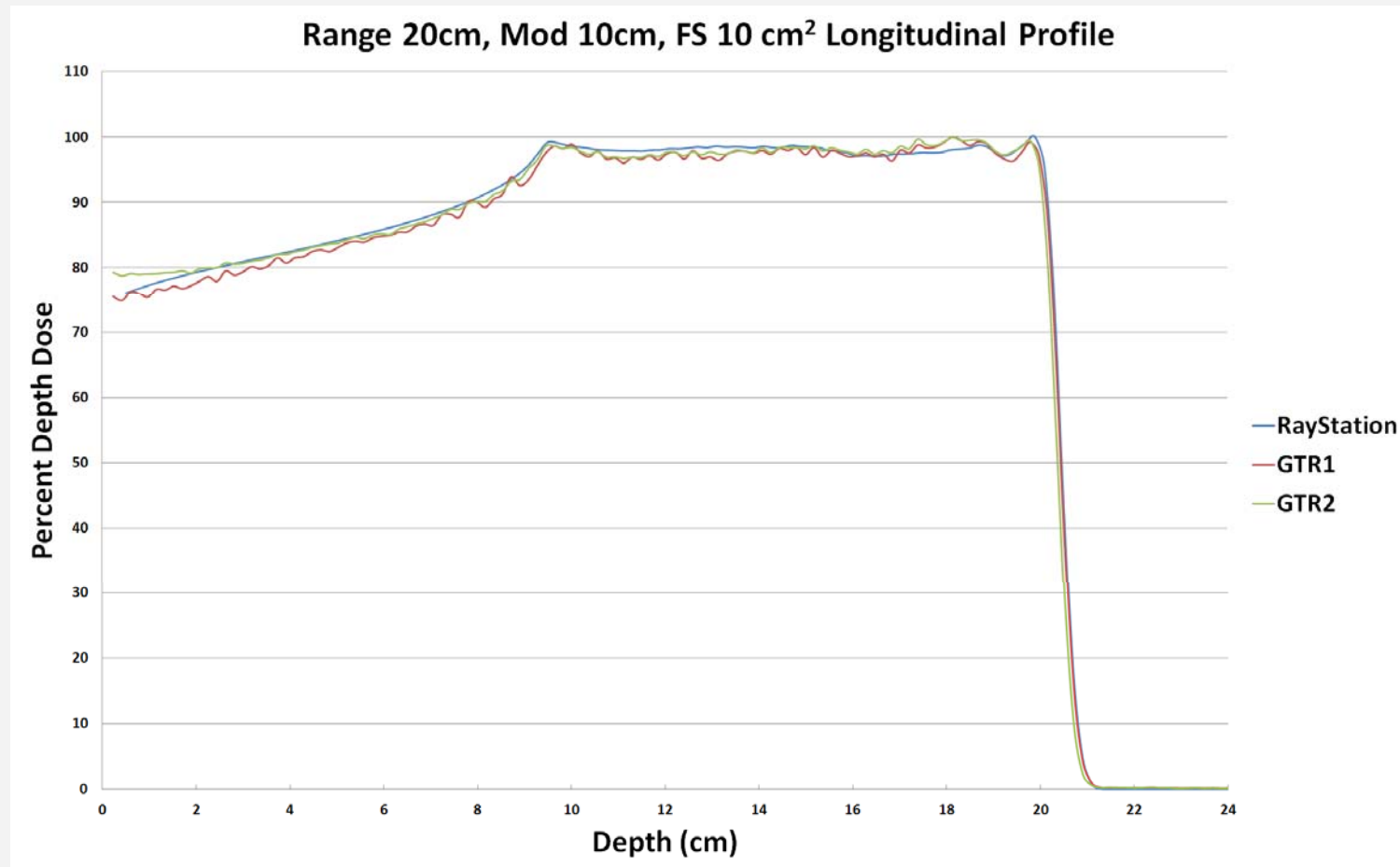
# TPS VERIFICATION

## Single Energy Longitudinal Profile (MLIC)



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## SOBP Longitudinal Profile (MLIC)



# END-TO-END TEST



# DOSE PLANE EVALUATION

## Analysis Criteria

Absolute Gamma

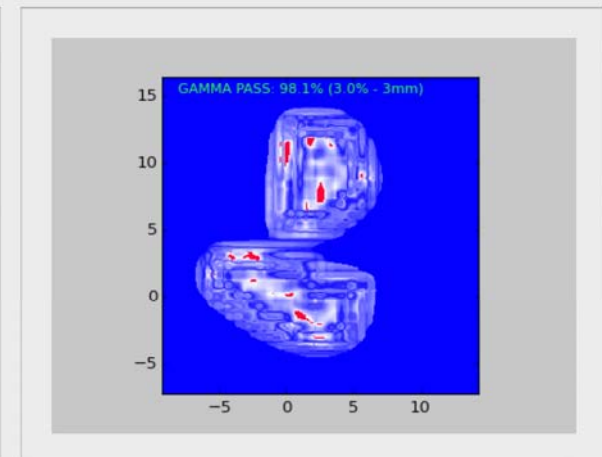
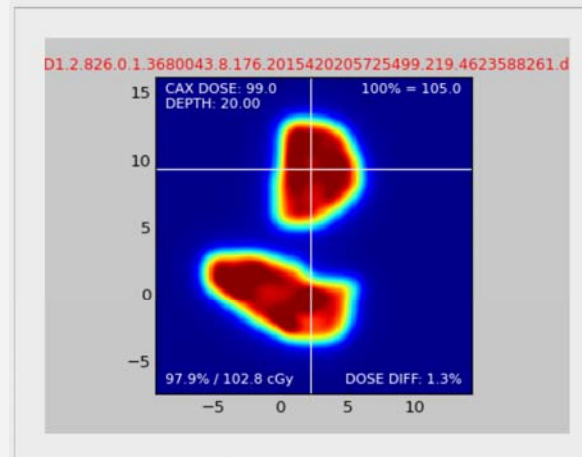
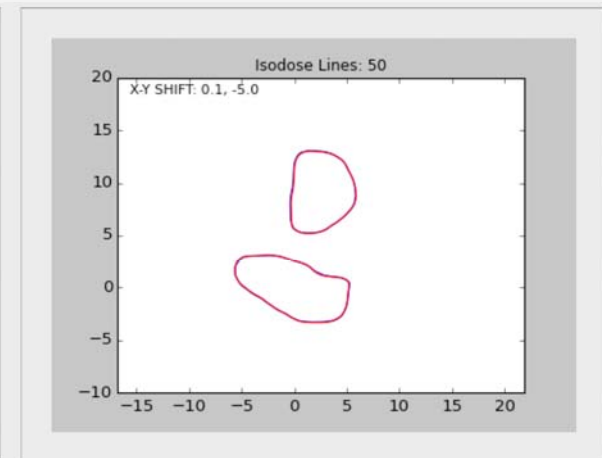
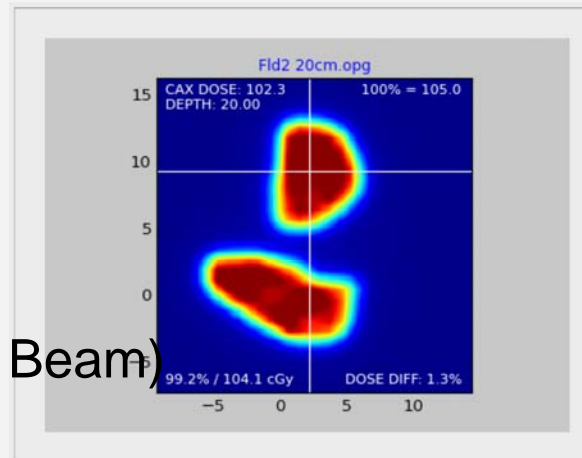
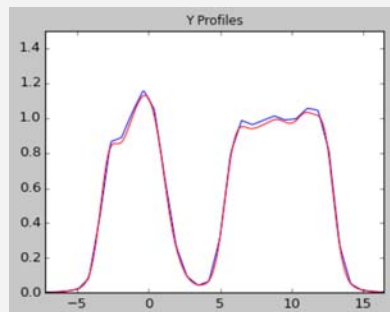
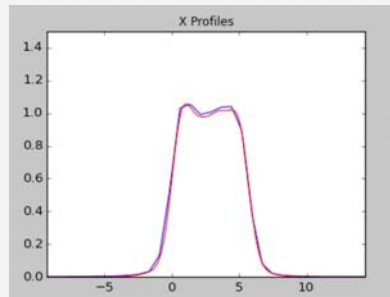
>90% Passing

3%/3mm

✓ Range

✓ Alignment

(Lasers vs Proton Beam)



X 2.18 Y 9.42 Depth 20.00 Distal Proximal Set



# IGRT COMMISSIONING

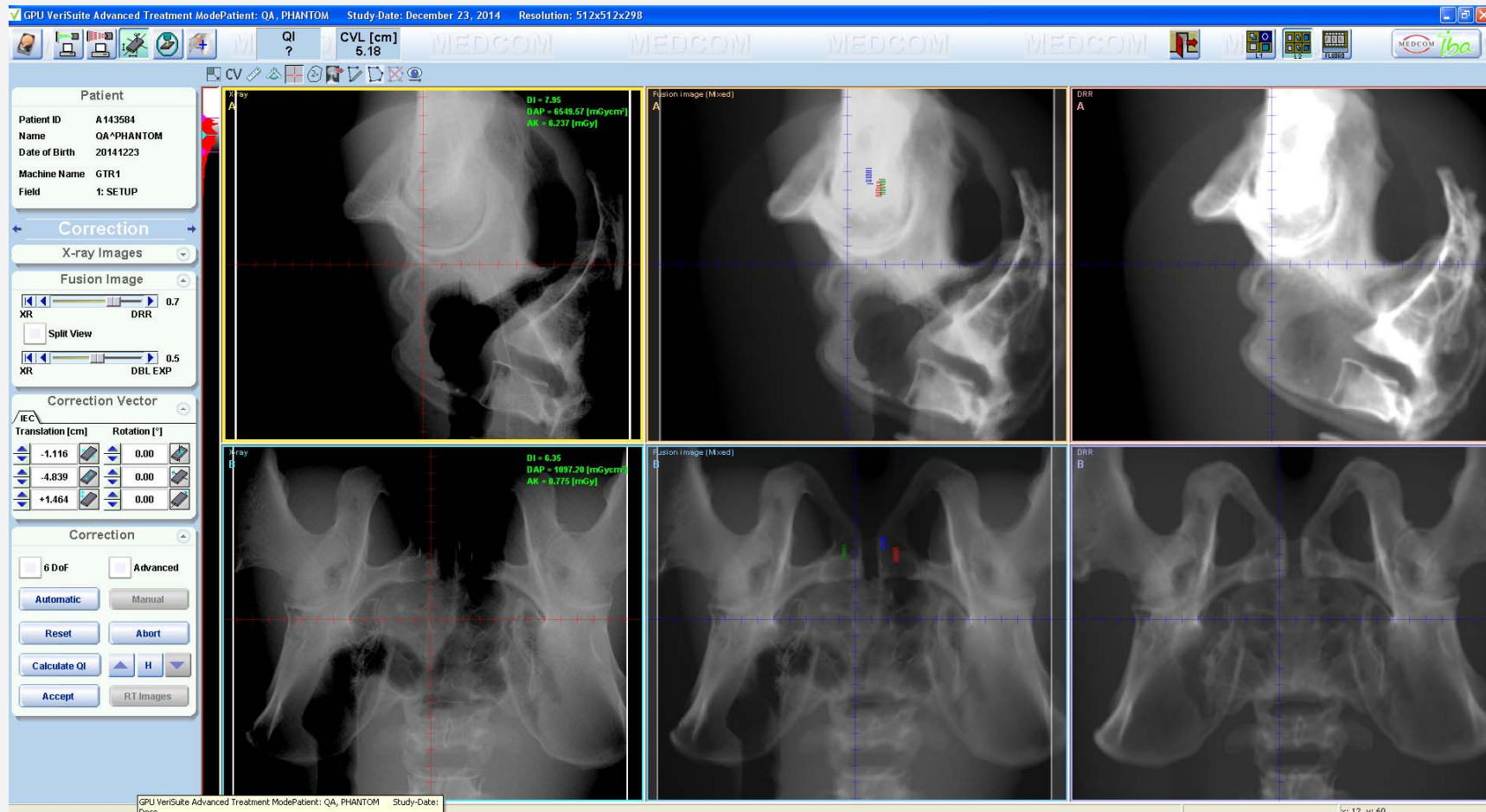
## Verisuite (Medcom)

- Orthogonal stereoscopic X-rays that rotate with the gantry
- Software is interfaced with Mosaic and IBA
- Takes in the patients planning CT from Mosaic and reconstructs its own DRRs based on beam angle and snout position. Can also show structure set in beams eye view.
- Transfers correction vectors to the PPS to align patient.
- Transfers images back to Mosaic image list



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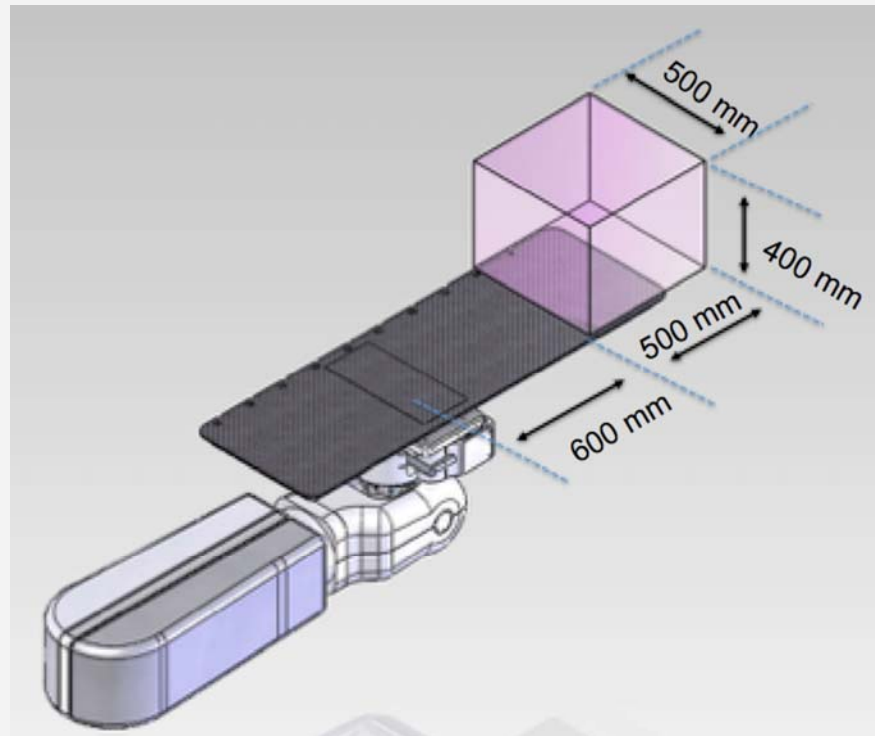
## Verisuite (Medcom)



# IGRT COMMISSIONING

## Patient Positioning System (PPS)

- KUKA Robotic couch
- Box of validation: The treatment isocenter must be in the box of validation to achieve the PPS accuracy specification (66% of GOTO  $<0.5\text{mm}$  and  $0.2^\circ$  ).
- Table correction necessary for passive scattering gantries. Table position is gantry dependent to correct isocenter.
- Beam optic corrected gantry does not require a table shift.



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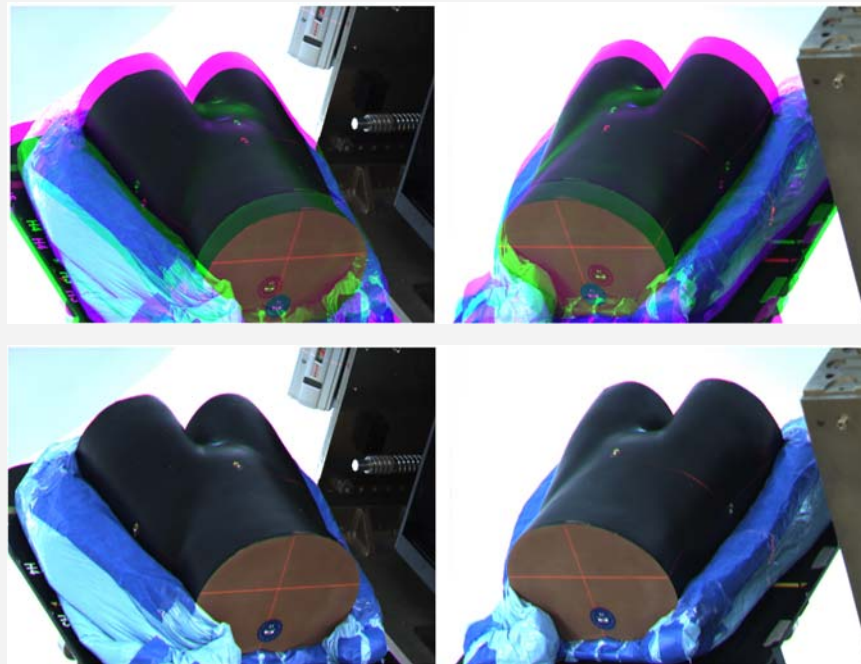
## MOSASIQ for protons

- Very limited compared to photons
- Cannot manually create proton beams
- Cannot create setup beams under a proton Rx
- Hidden beams cause interface problems with Verisuite
- Physical vs RBE dose
- Images from verisuite transfer to mosaiq unassociated



# FUTURE UPGRADES/PROJECTS

- New IBA software upgrade with decrease interlayer switching time from 4s to 1.2s.
- Change beamlines to easily transfer patients between beam matched rooms.
- Auto-association of images after sent from Verisuite computer
- In-air patient QA using IBA spot scanning logs
- Camera tracking system for patient positioning



# FUTURE PBS SYSTEMS

- Proton systems are moving towards PBS delivery systems
- Fast inter-layer energy change time
- Beam parameter matching
- Move table/gantry/snout from outside Tx room
- Image from outside Tx room
- Beam optics corrects for gantry angle wobble
- Multiple spot sizes (large and small vs apertures)

# THANK YOU SEAAPM!

