

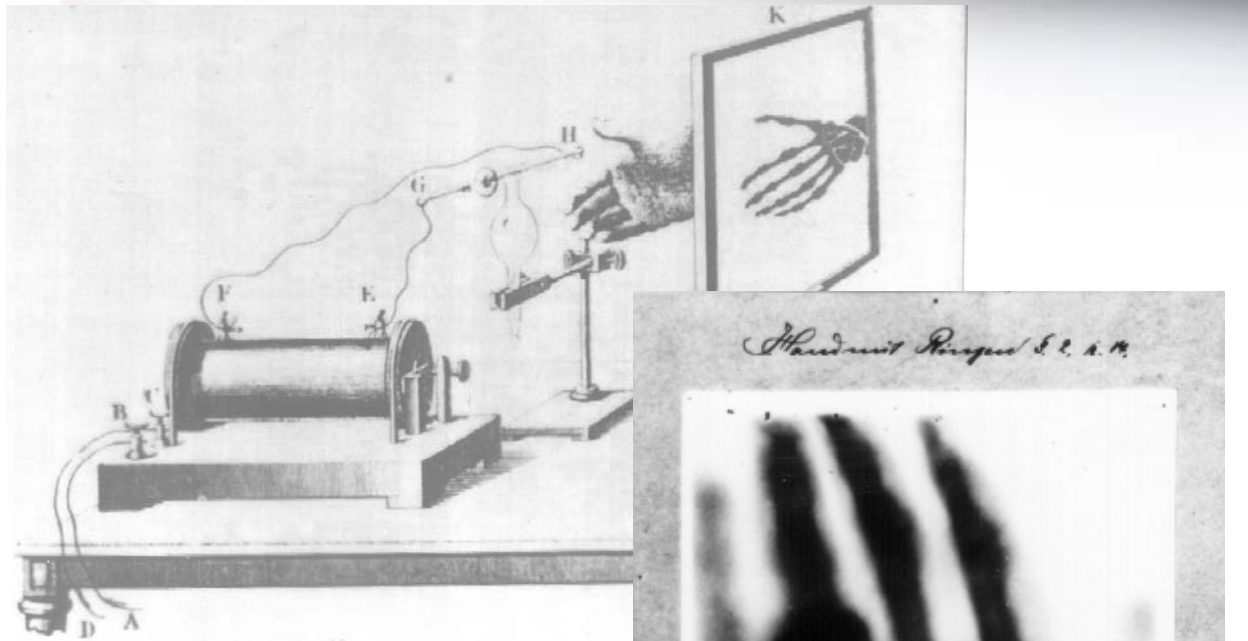
Acceleratori per adroterapia: il CNAO.

Marco Pullia

Tumours and radiotherapy



Physics and medicine together since long: diagnosis and therapy



1895

X ray discovery



Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen

(1845 – 1923)

(courtesy of U. Amaldi)

Marco Pullia – XCIX Congresso SIF – Trieste, 23-27 settembre 2015

Tumours



- Errors in cell DNA and no apoptosis
- They grow in an uncontrolled way
- They infiltrate the surrounding tissues and can originate metastasis (malignant)
- When metastatic, only chemotherapy is possible
- If localised, surgery or **radiotherapy**

Energy and Efficacy



Administered dose

$$1 \text{ Gy} = 1 \text{ J} / 1 \text{ Kg}$$

(typical dose in radiotherapy 35 X 2 Gy)

How many cells do I kill?

Potential energy (1 m fall = 10 Gy)

Heat (fever 38° = 4185 Gy)

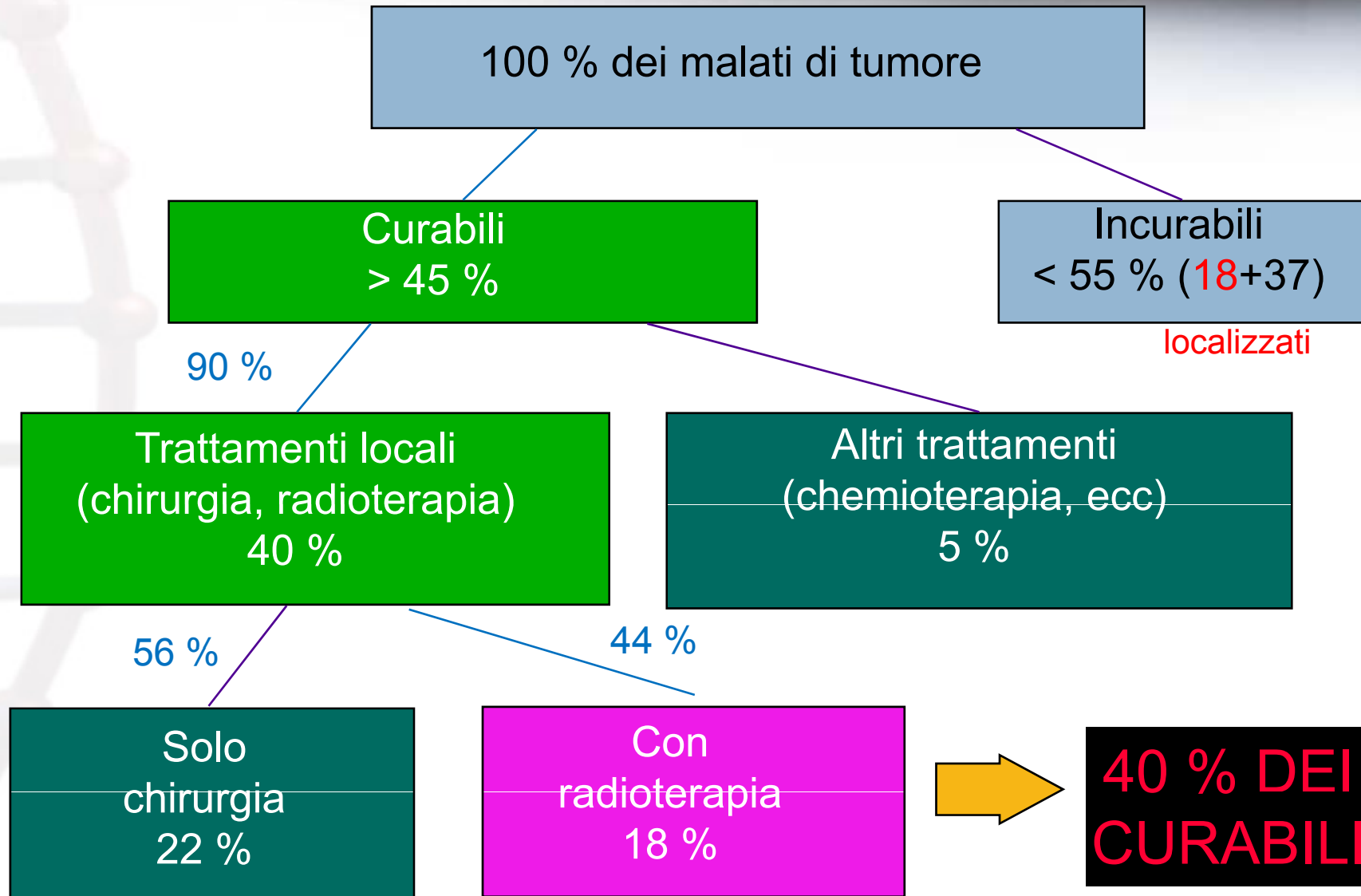
Ionizing radiation (little energy, many damages)

Radiation damage

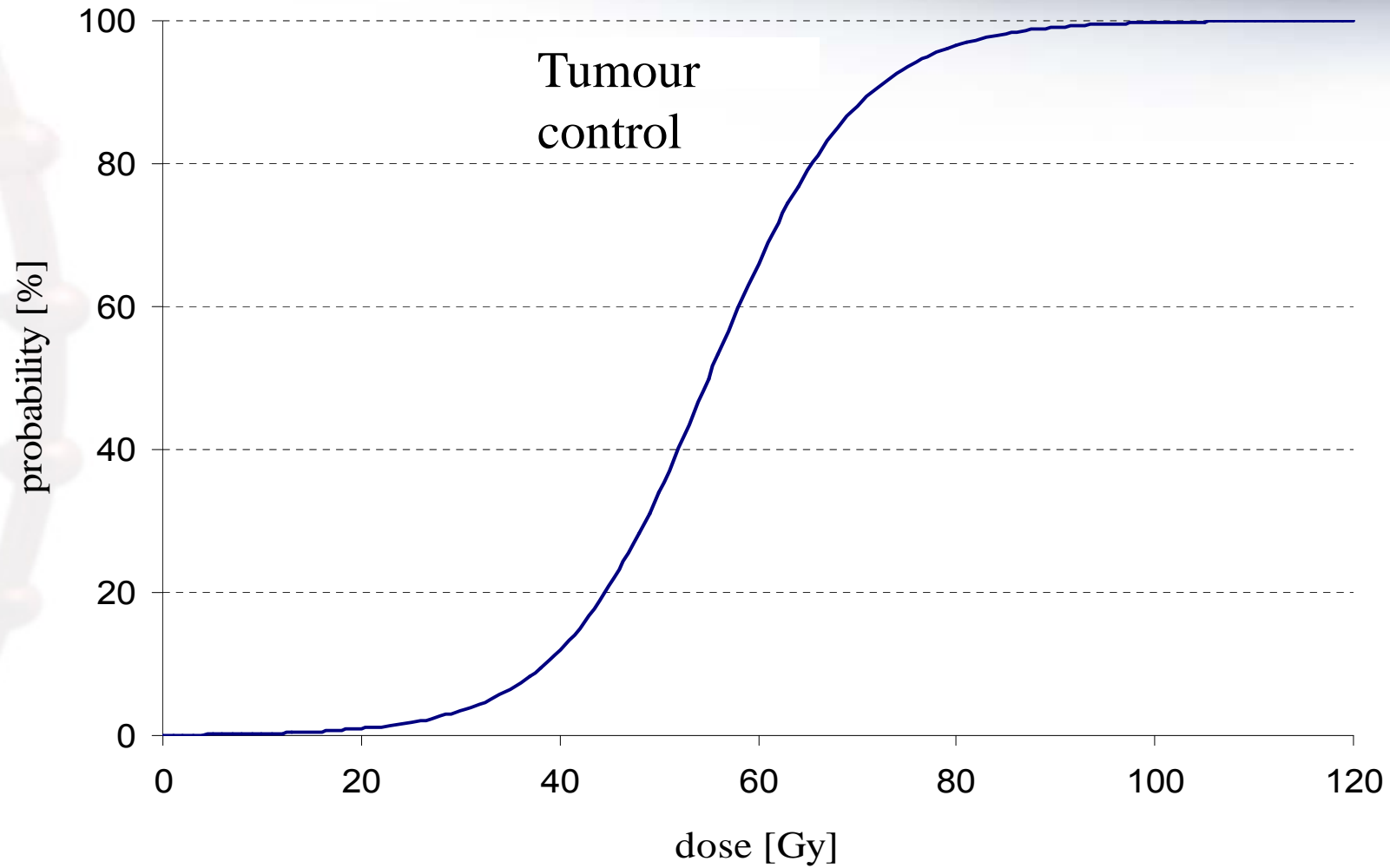


- Ionization breaks chemical bonds
- Free radicals creation (mainly hydroxyl radical, OH^- , and superoxide, O_2^- . Poison for the cell!)
- The target is DNA, ionization distribution is relevant

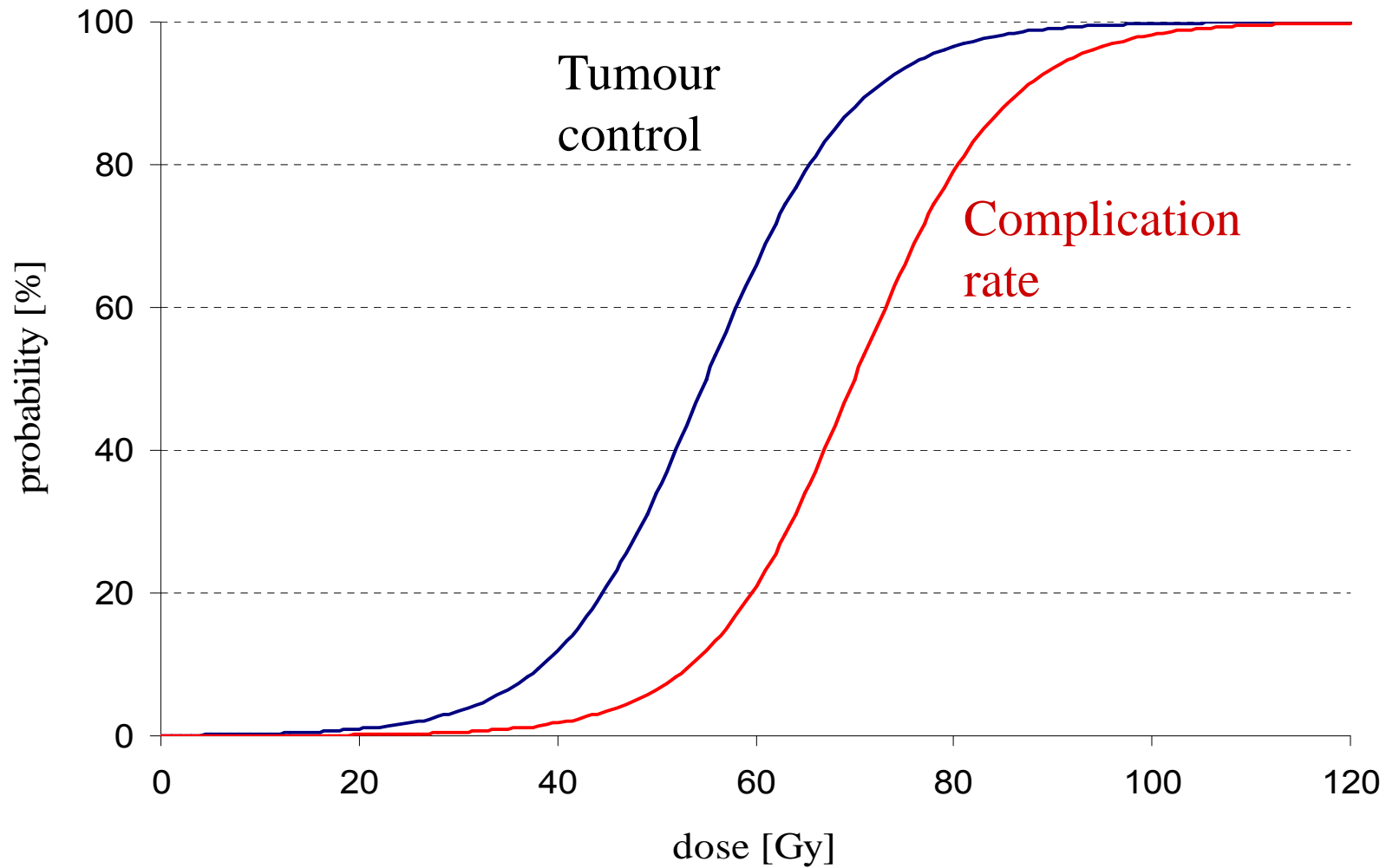
Efficacia delle terapie ad oggi



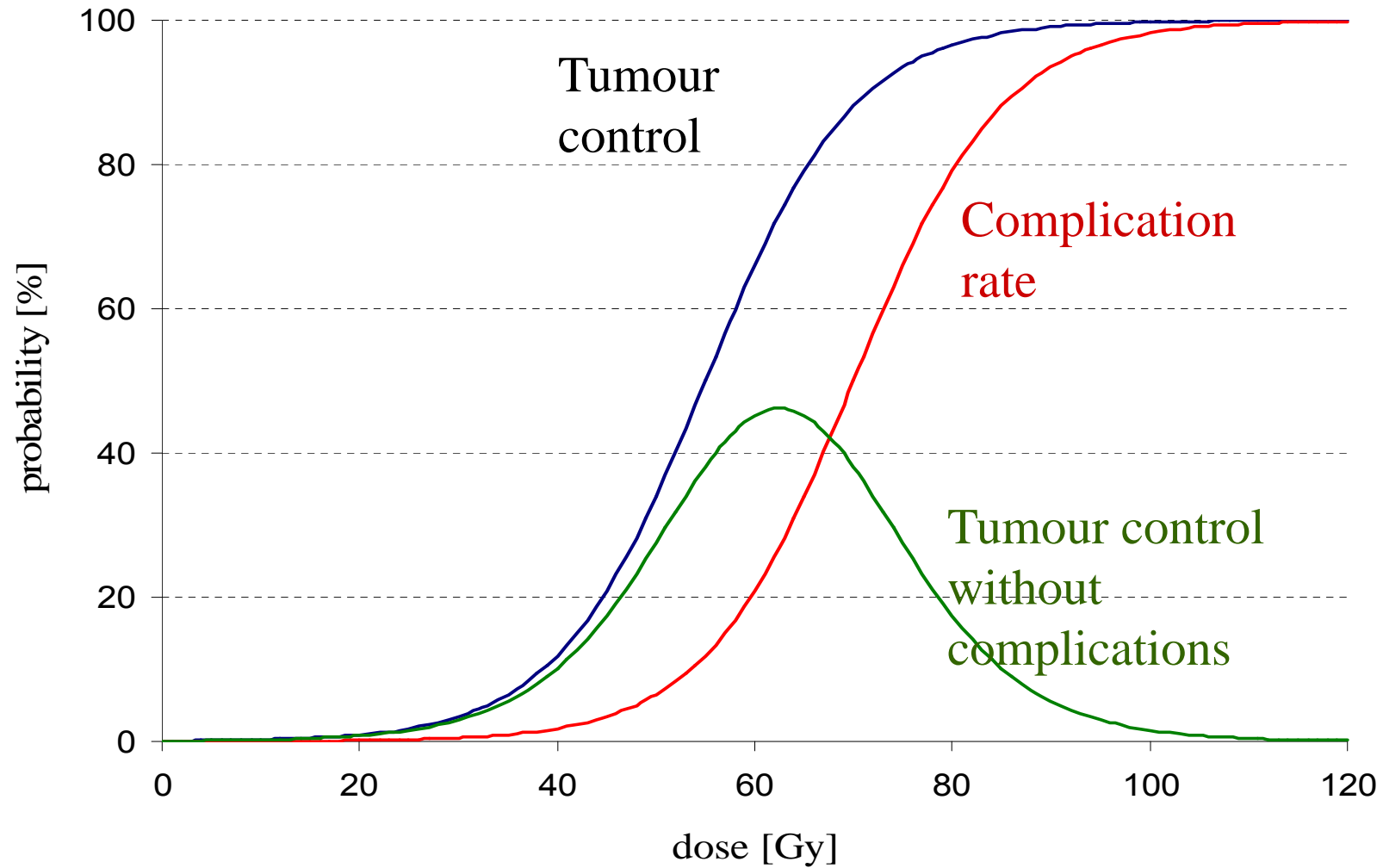
General principle of radiation therapy



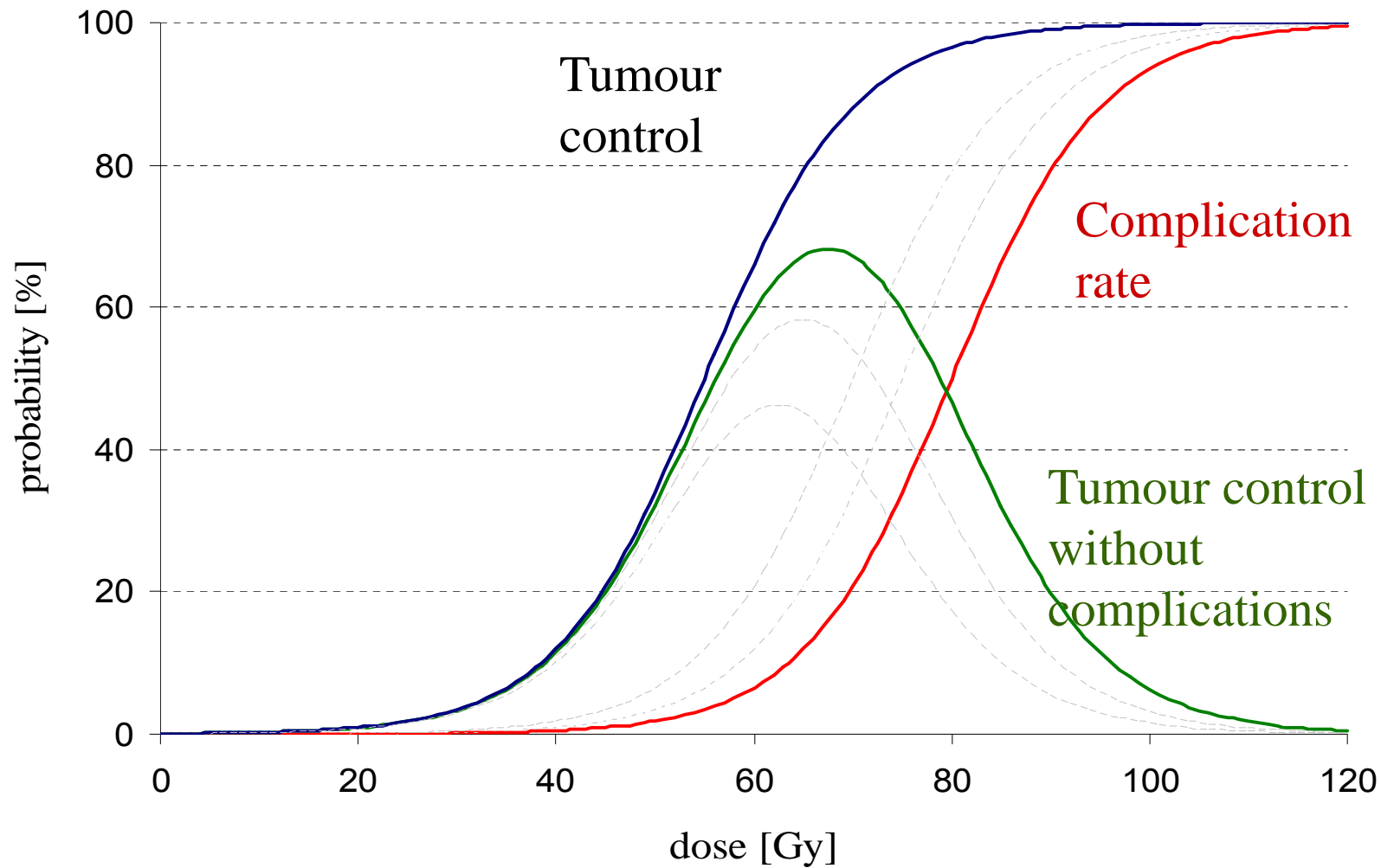
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Hadron RT proposed by Wilson in 1946



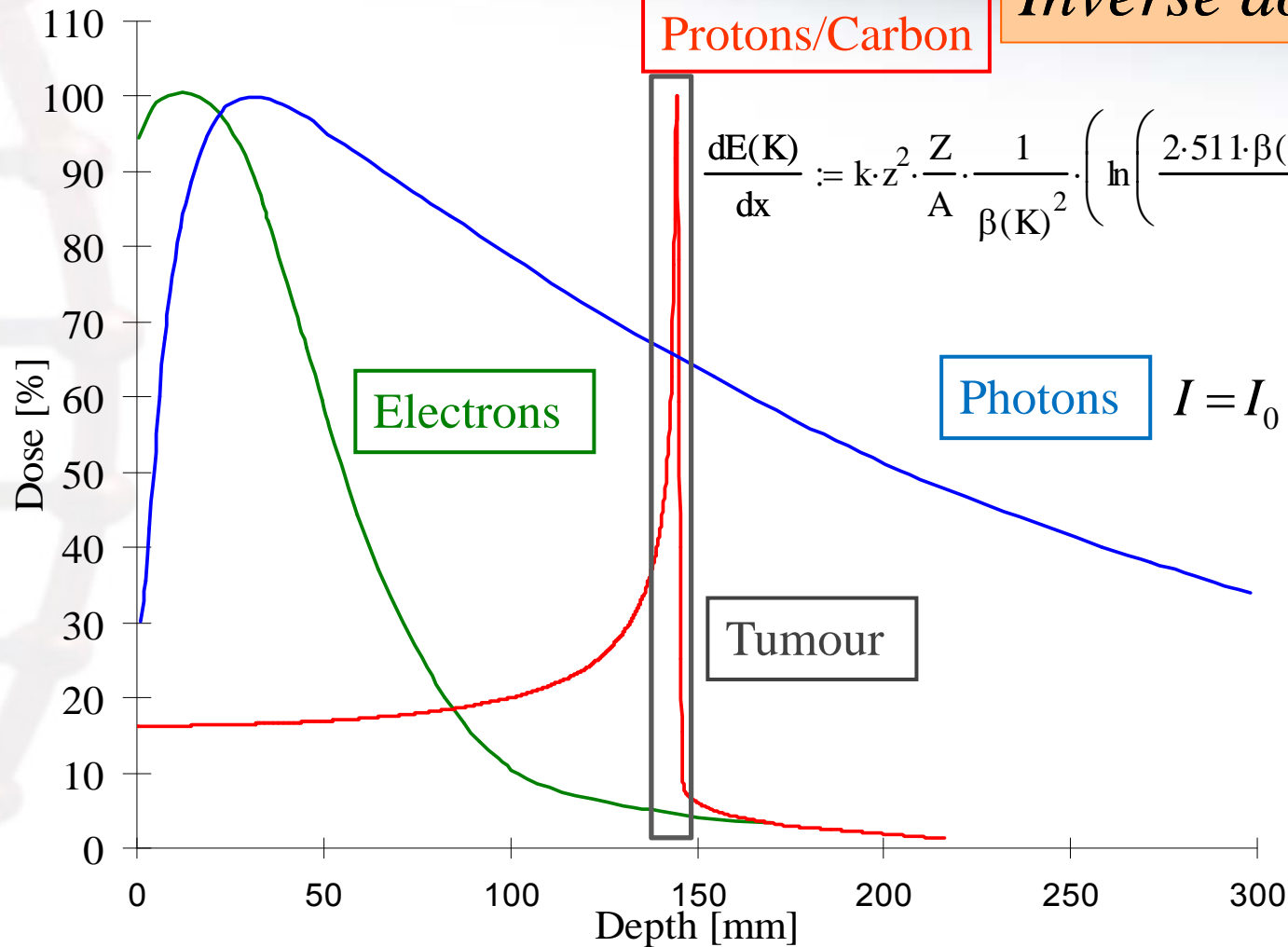
R.R. Wilson, "Foreword to the Second International Symposium on Hadrontherapy," in *Advances in Hadrontherapy*, (U. Amaldi, B. Larsson, Y. Lemoigne, Y., Eds.), Excerpta Medica, Elsevier, International Congress Series 1144: ix-xiii (1997).

Radiological Use of Fast Protons
ROBERT R. WILSON
Research Laboratory of Physics, Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts

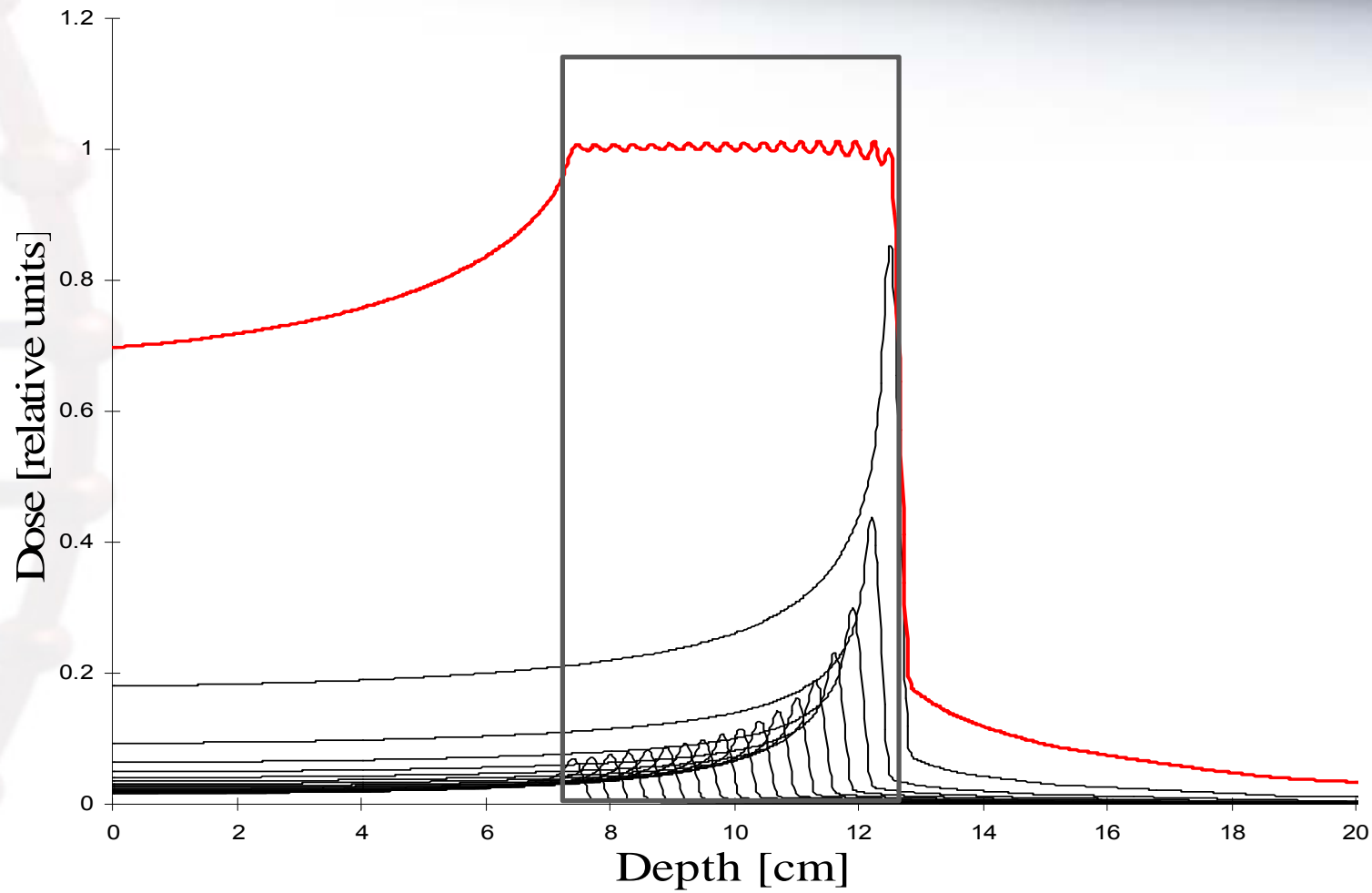
EXCEPT FOR electrons, the particles which have been accelerated to high energies by machines such as cyclotrons or Van de Graaff generators have not been directly used therapeutically. Rather, the neutrons, gamma rays, or artificial radioactivities produced in various reactions of the primary particles have been applied to medical problems. This has, in part, been due to the very short penetration in tissue of protons, deuterons, and alpha particles from present-day high-energy machines. However, per centimeter of path, or specific ionization, and this varies almost inversely with the energy of the proton. Thus the specific ionization or dose is many times less where the proton enters the tissue at high energy than it is in the last centimeter of the path where the ion is brought to rest. These properties make it possible to irradiate inter-ly a strictly localized region.

Radiology 47: 487-491, 1946

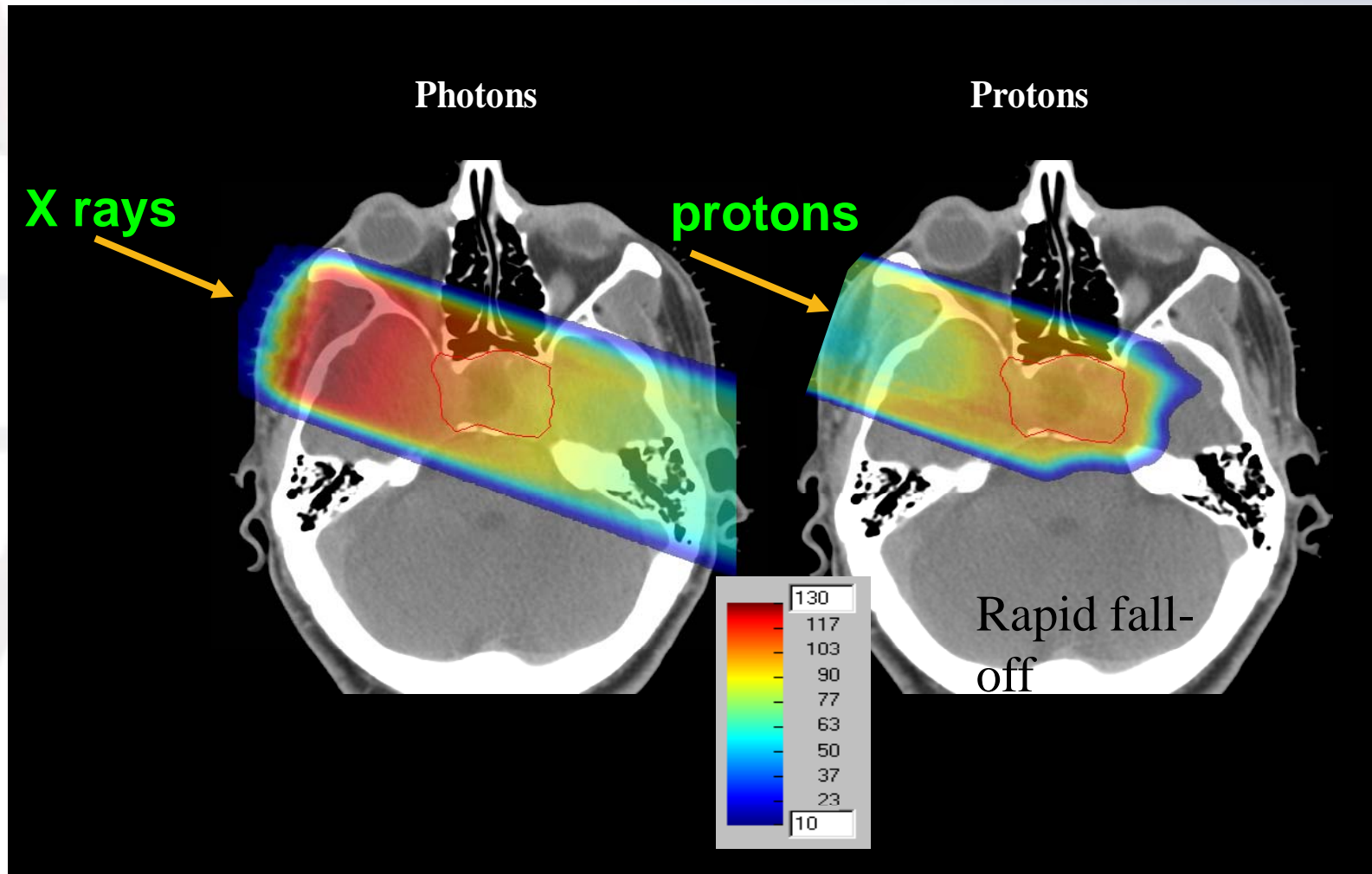
Comparison of the depth dose profiles



Longitudinal - Spread Out Bragg Peak



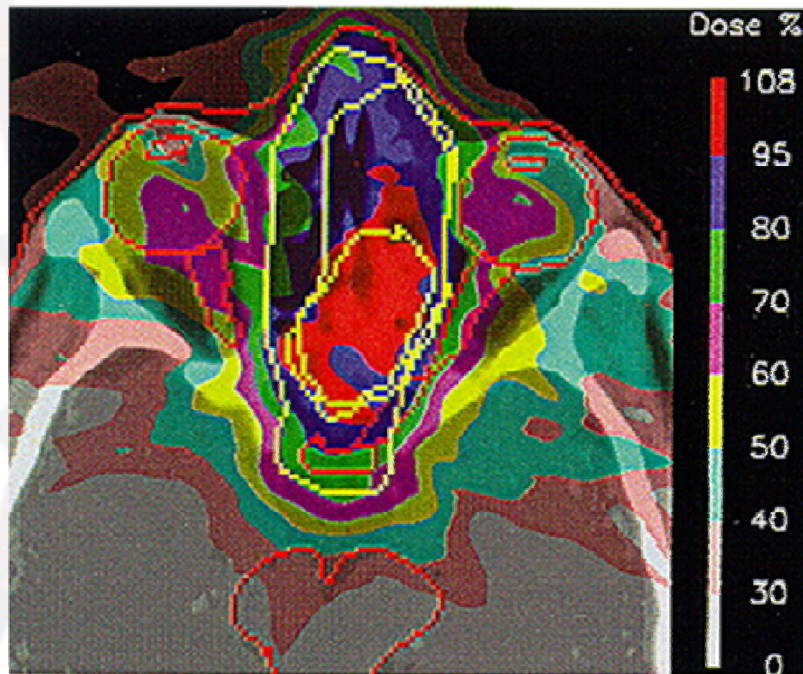
Macroscopic advantage of hadrons



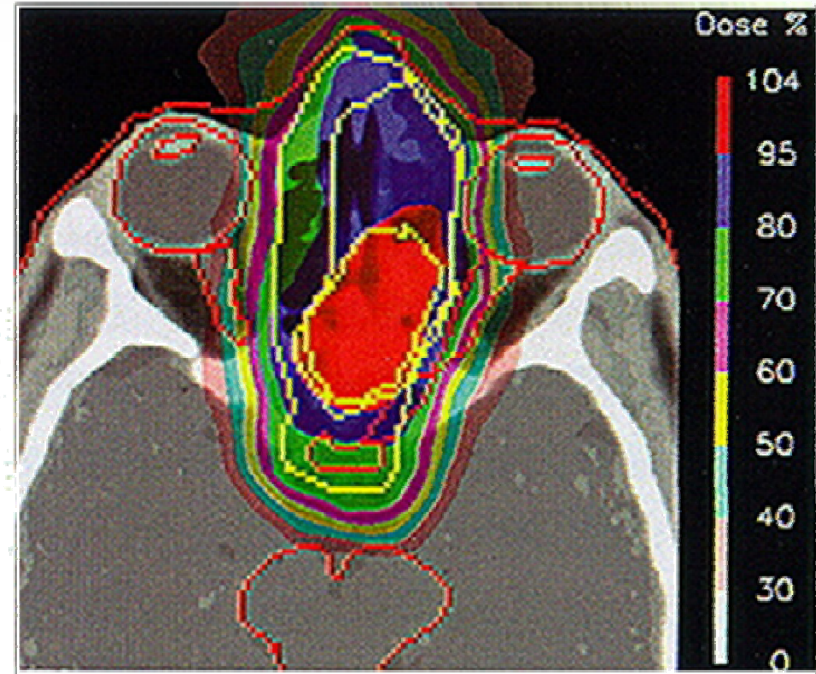
Better dose distribution



9 X beams



1 proton beam

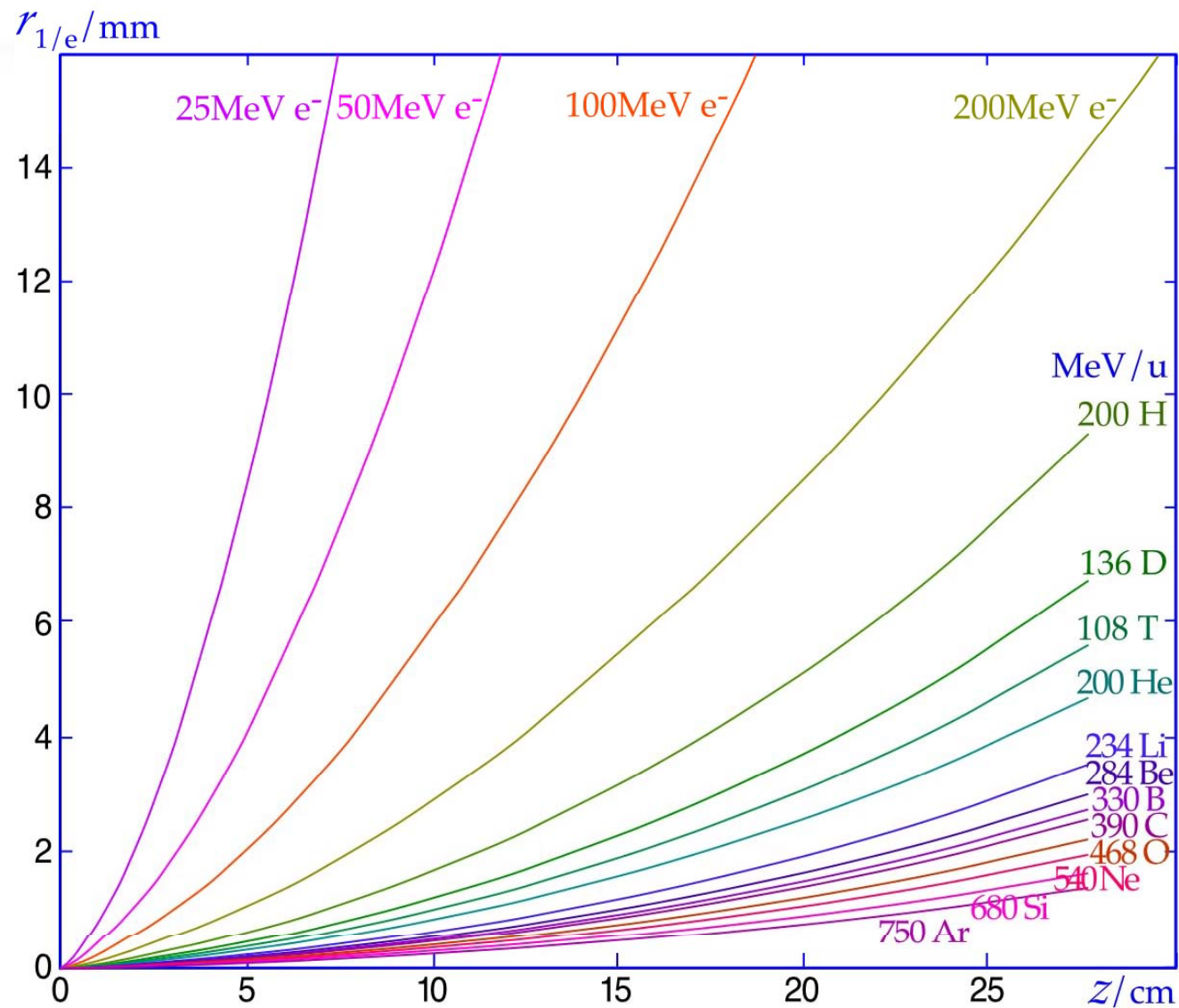


tumor between eyes

Lateral radii of elementary beams of electrons and light ions (range of 26 cm) as a function of depth in water



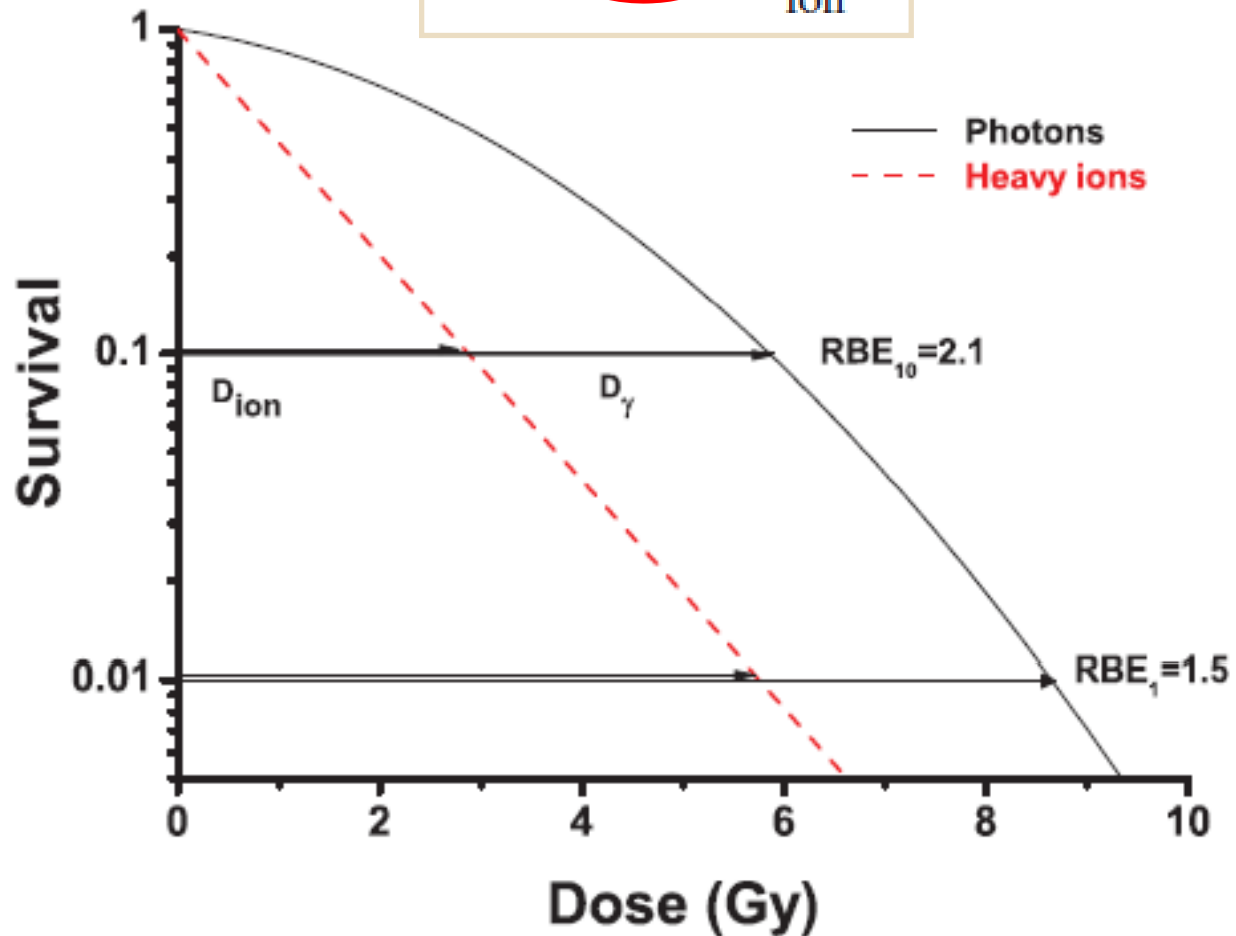
Carbon scatters
Less than protons



(A. Brahme, S.Rossi et al., NIM B 184 (2001) 569-588)

Radiobiological advantage of C

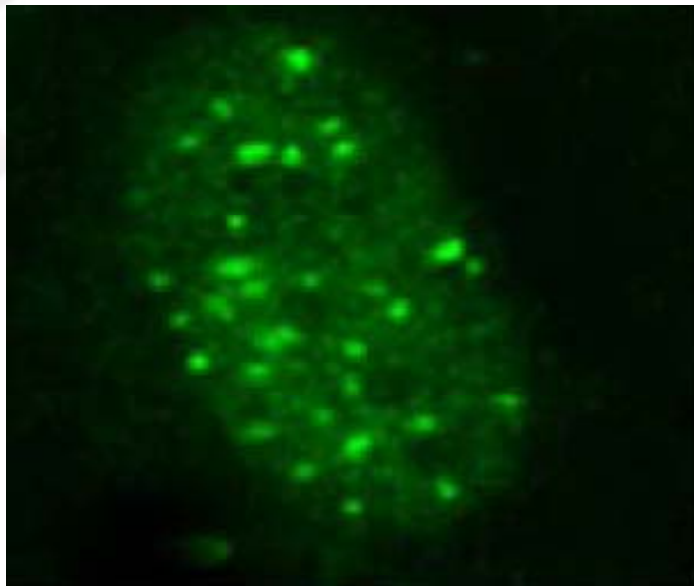
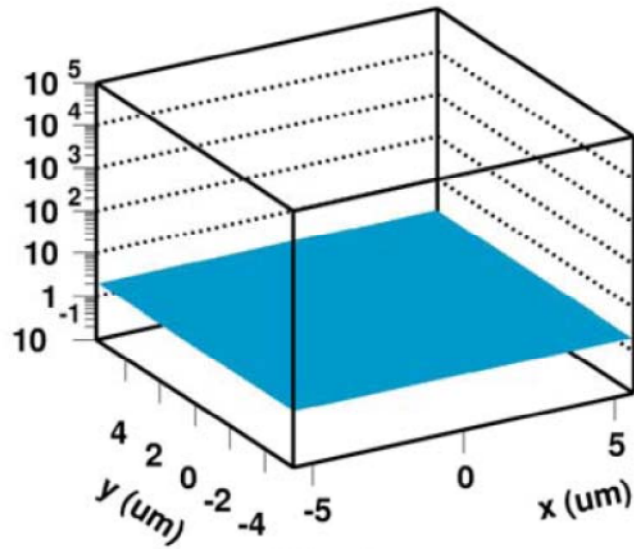
$$\text{RBE}_{\text{iso}} = \frac{D_{\text{ref}}}{D_{\text{ion}}}$$



Warning: RBE depends on

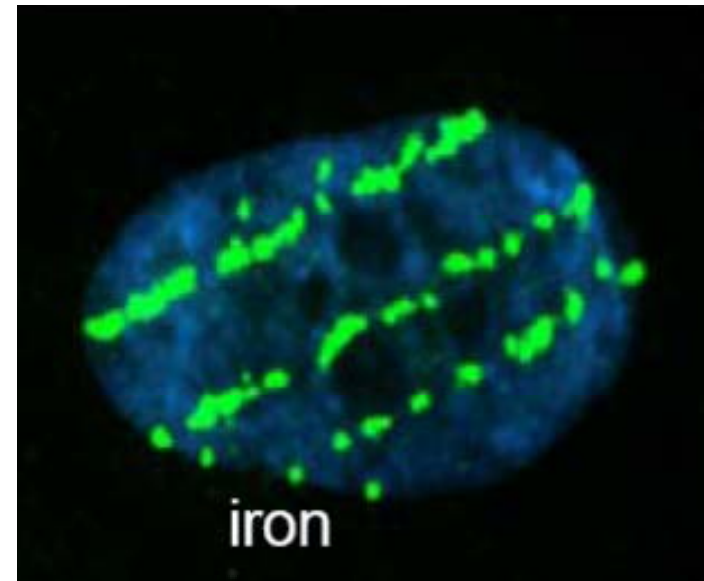
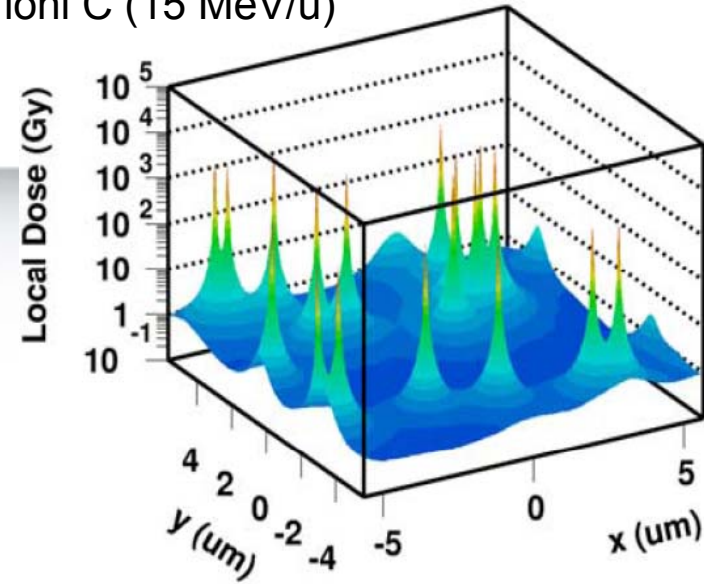
- Biological endpoint
- LET
- Particle type
- Cell/tissue
- Dose rate
- Fractionation
- etc...

Low LET



High LET

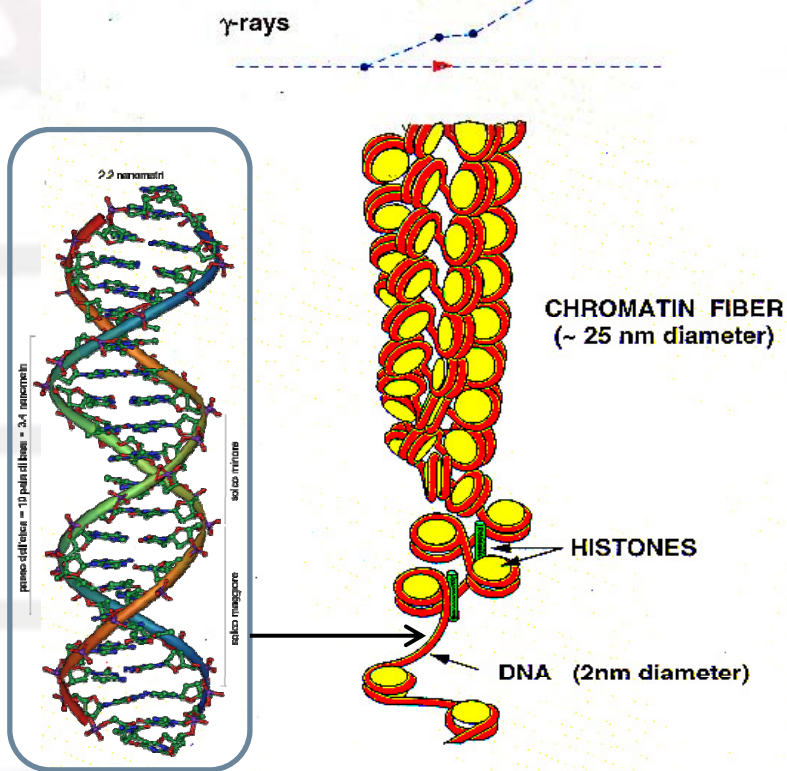
ioni C (15 MeV/u)



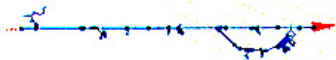
(Courtesy of A. Facchetti)

Formation of fluorescent γ -H2AX clusters in irradiated human fibroblasts at 10 min postirradiation with 2 Gy of gamma rays or 0.5 Gy of 176 keV/mm iron ions

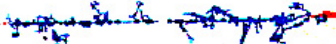
Microscopic advantage of C ions



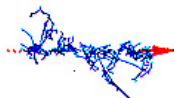
1 MeV protons



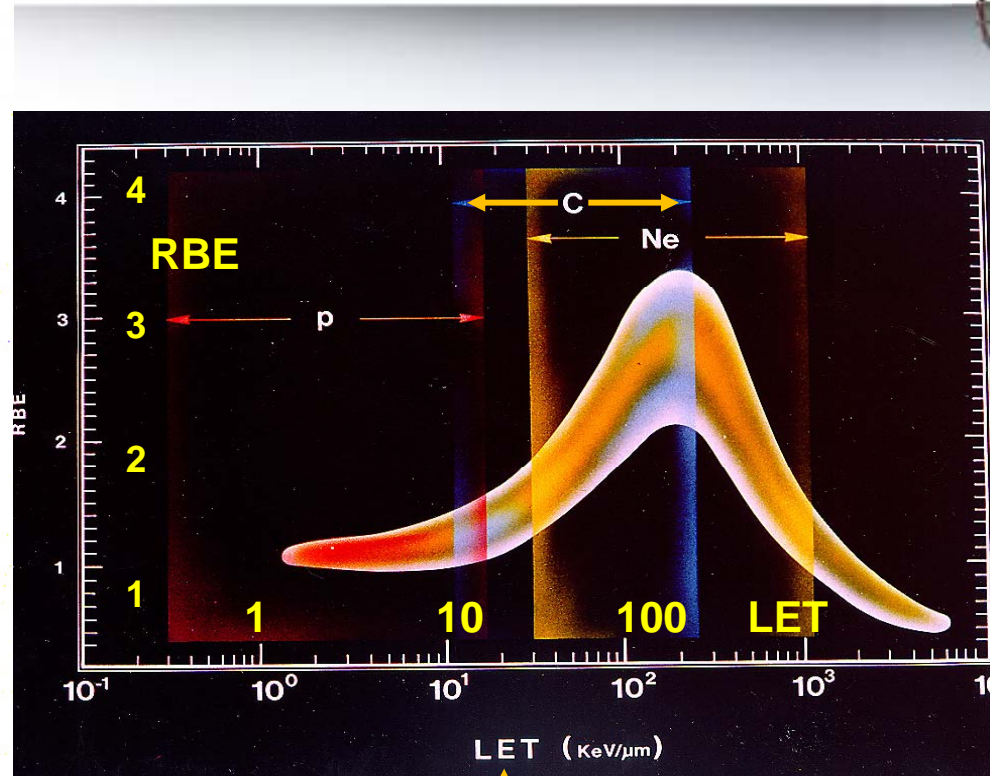
1 MeV/u α -particles



1 MeV/u C ions



10 nm



10 – 20 keV/μm =
 100 – 200 MeV/cm =
 20 – 40 eV/(2 nm)

The optimal LET

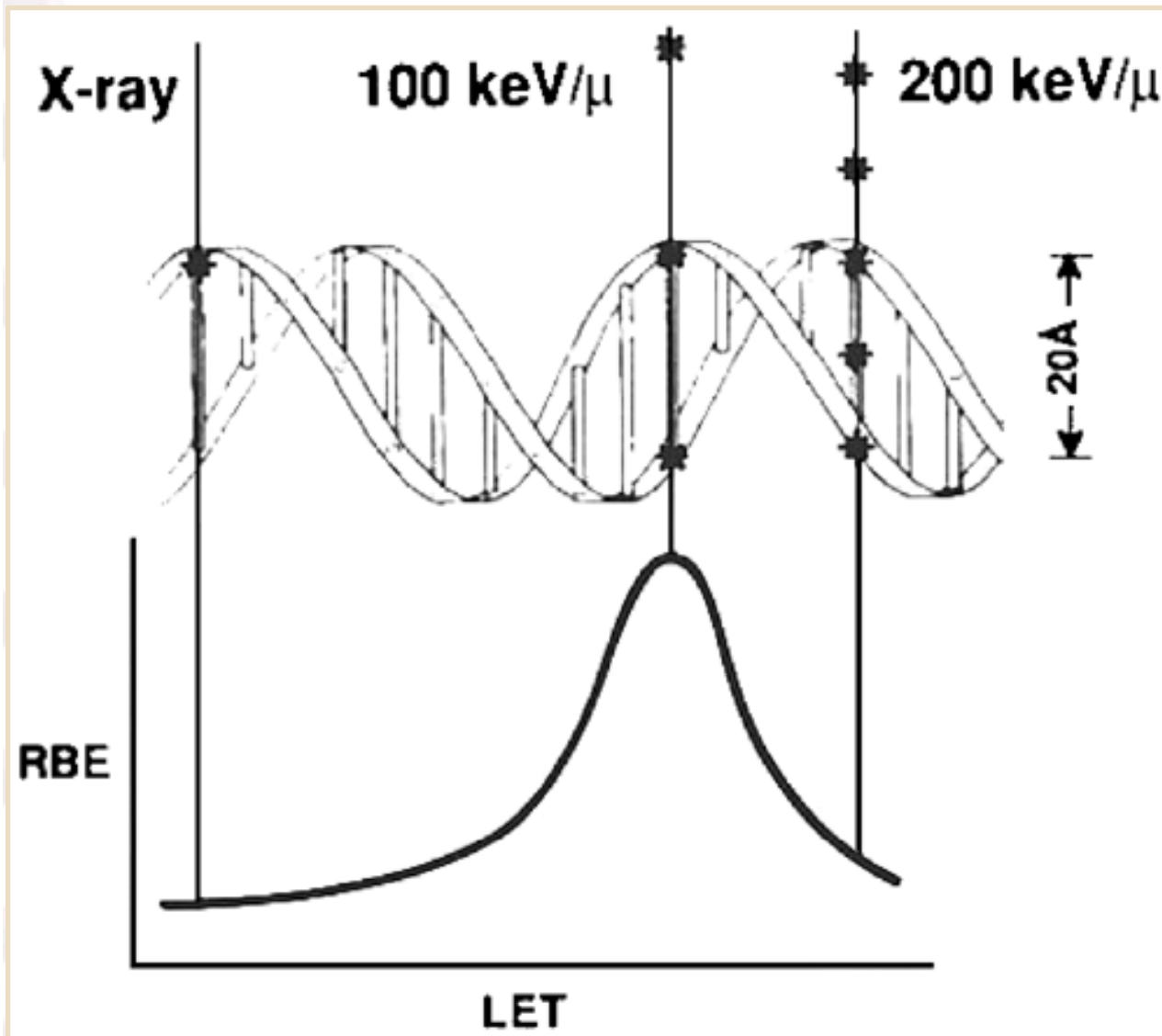


Diagram illustrating why radiation with a LET of 100 keV/ μ m has the greatest RBE for cell killing, mutagenesis, or oncogenic transformation.

For this LET, the average separation between ionizing events coincides with the diameter of the DNA double helix (i.e. about 2 nm).

Radiation of this quality is most likely to produce a double strand break from one track for a given absorbed dose.

3 different cases

-1 Low LET (<20 keV/micron)

Distance between ionizations larger than DNA diameter. Classical radiotherapy; Fractionation very important.

-2 High LET (50 – 200 keV/micron)

Distance between ionizations comparable with DNA diameter. C-ion therapy; Fractionation less important.

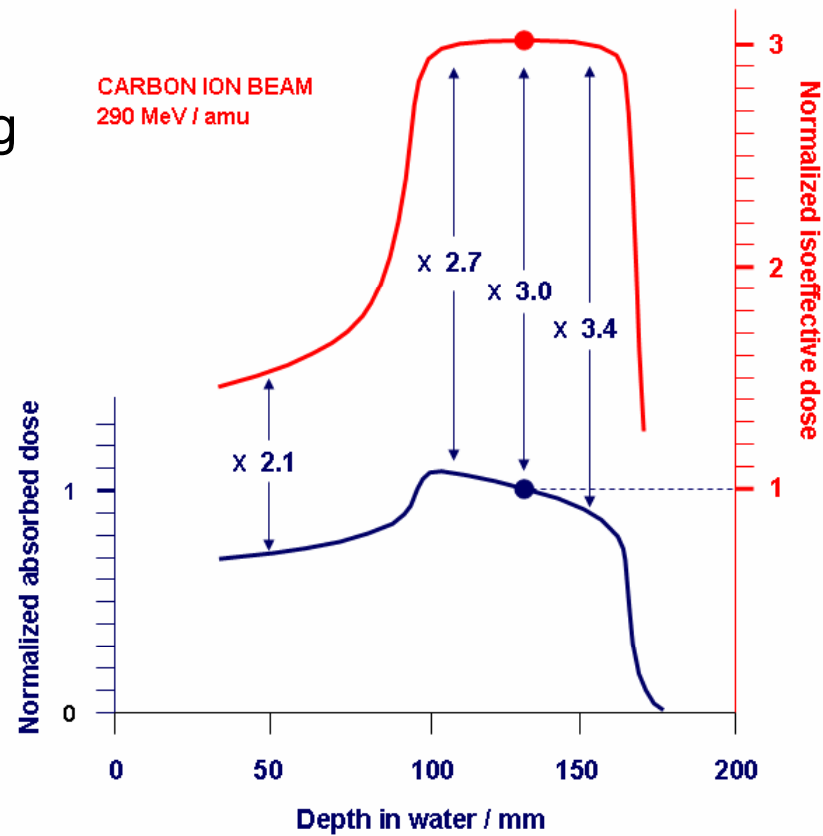
-3 Very high LET (> 1000 keV/micron)

Distance between ionizations smaller than DNA diameter; energy in excess in ionizations (overkill).

Physical and biological dose



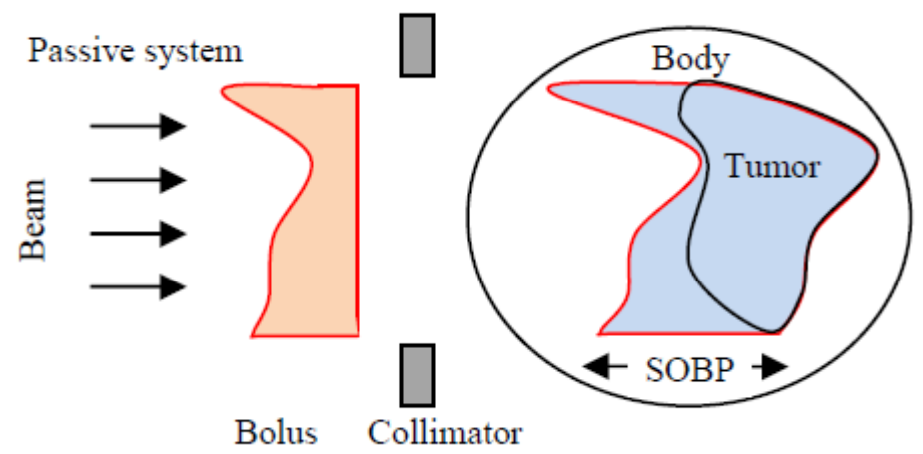
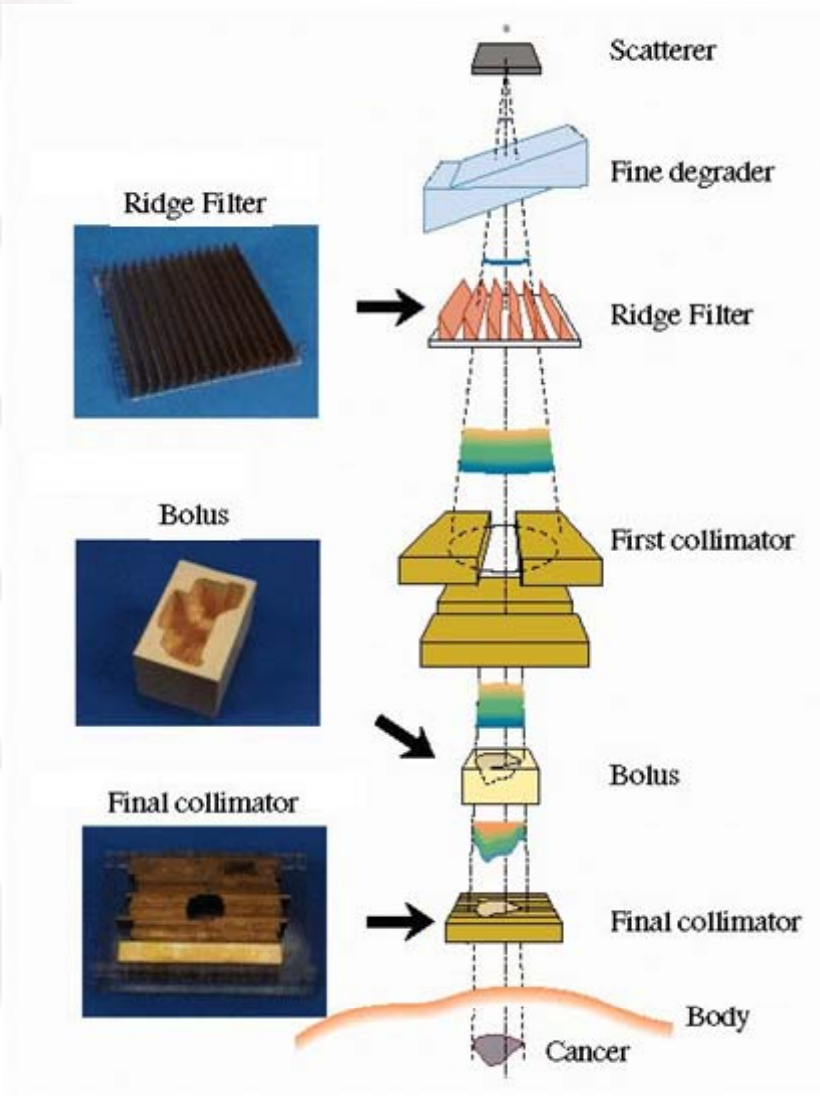
Complicated treatment planning



Beam Delivery



Beam delivery: passive systems



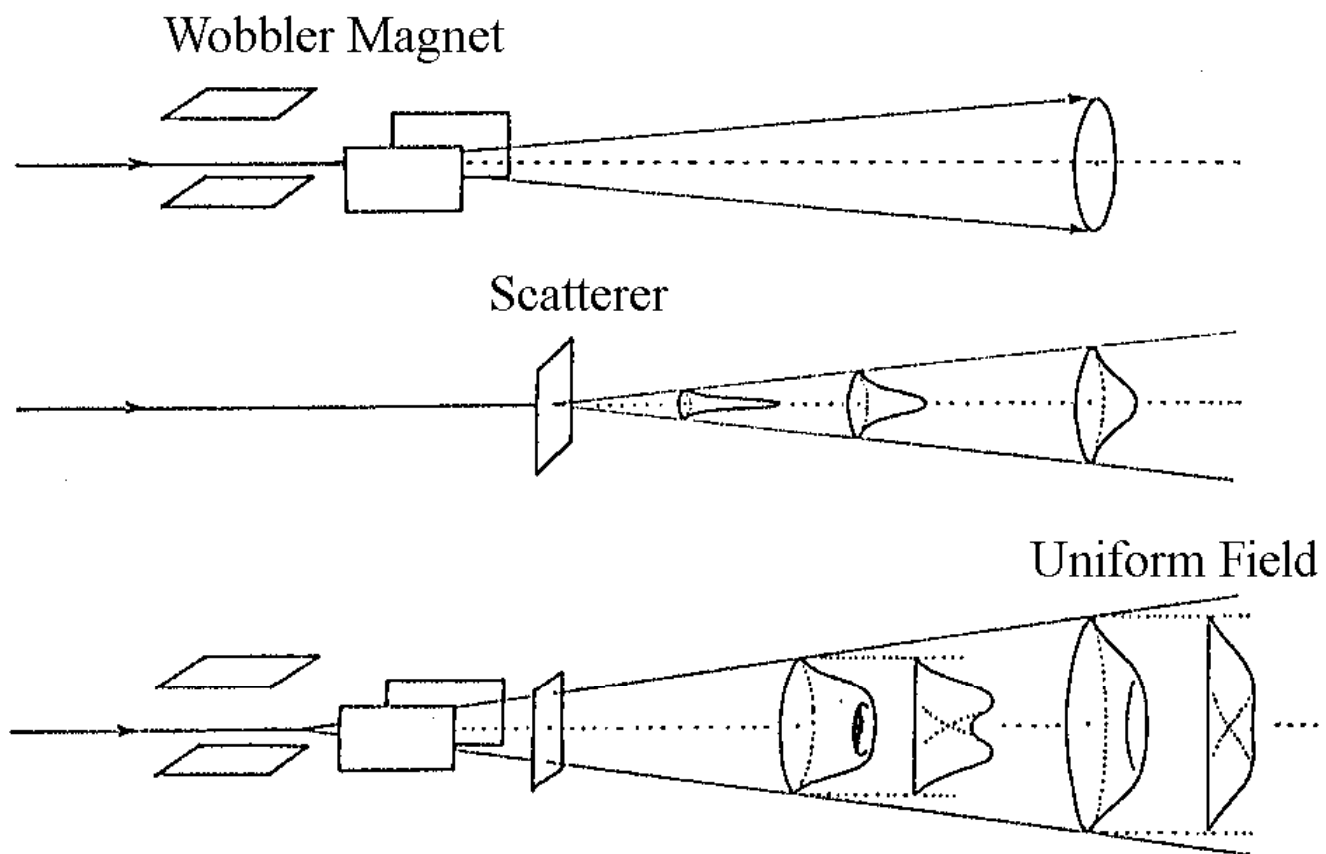
Passive systems for Carbon



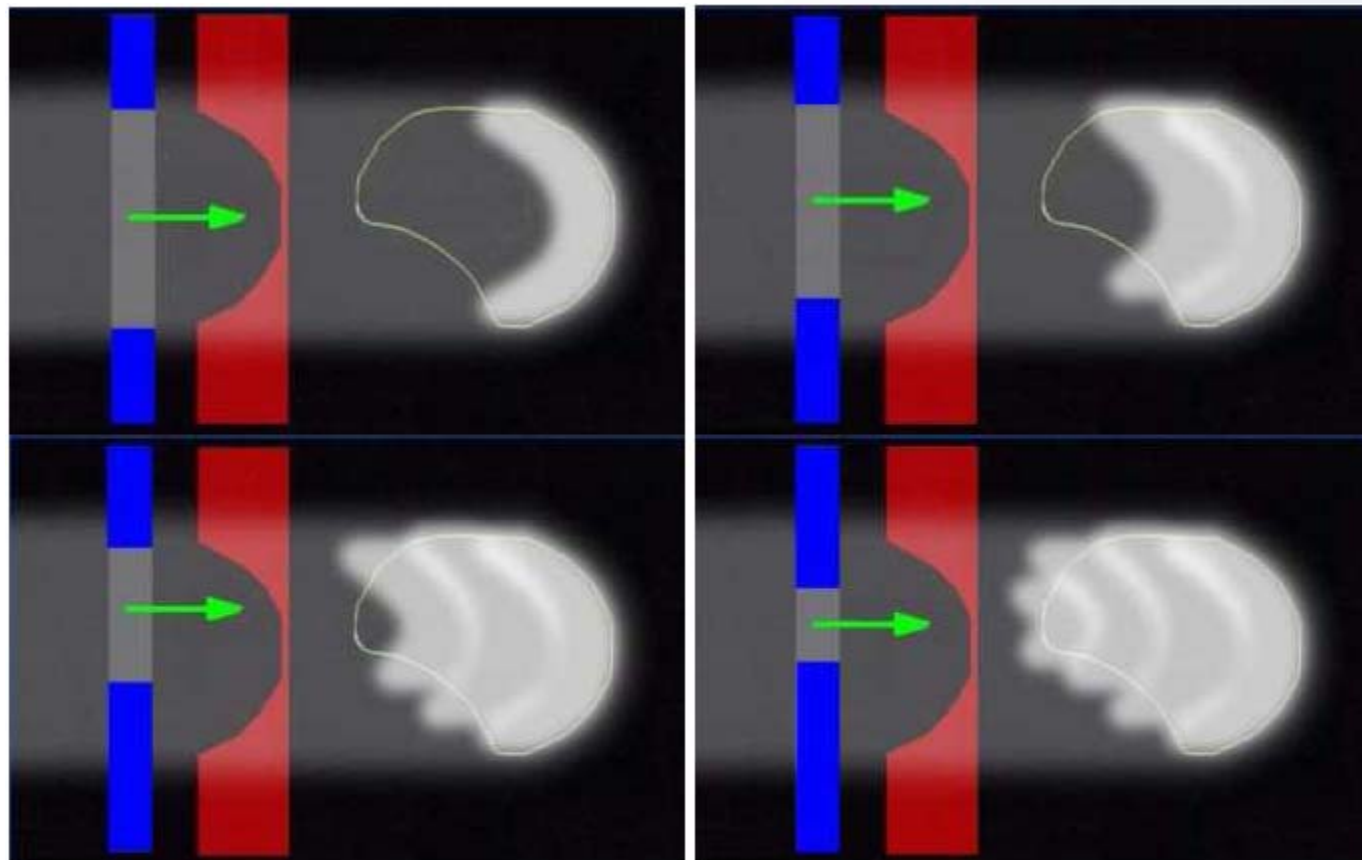
Completely passive system **not advisable**:

- Smaller scattering implies larger thicknesses and distances and thus larger energy loss and beam loss which implies larger energy and current from the accelerator
- Fragmentation of impinging ions** which causes more dose delivered **after** the tumor and larger production of neutrons.
- The amount of material in the beam line is considerable, leading to an increase in nuclear **fragments** produced by nuclear interactions with the **material of the beam modifiers**. These nuclear fragments have lower energies and lead to a higher LET and thus an increased biological effective dose of the beam already in the **entrance** region.

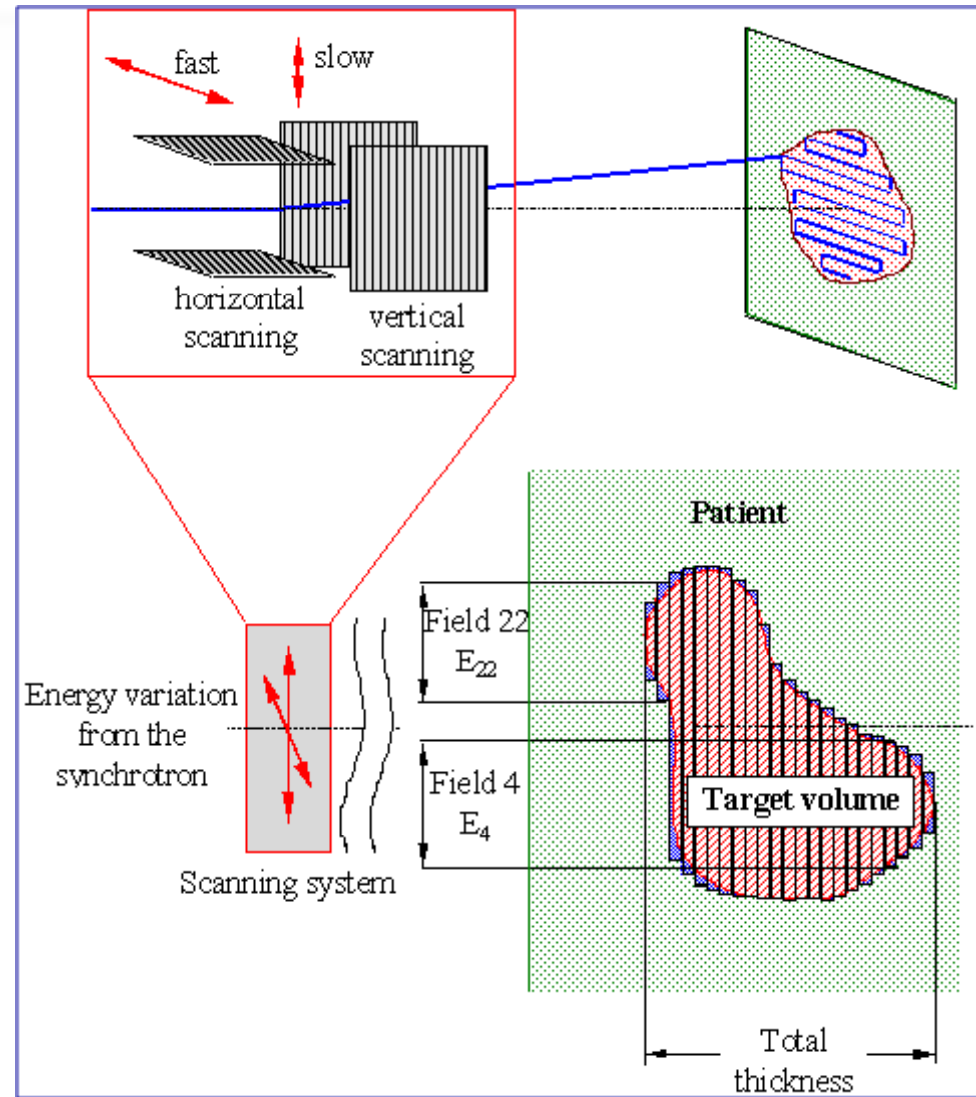
Wobbling



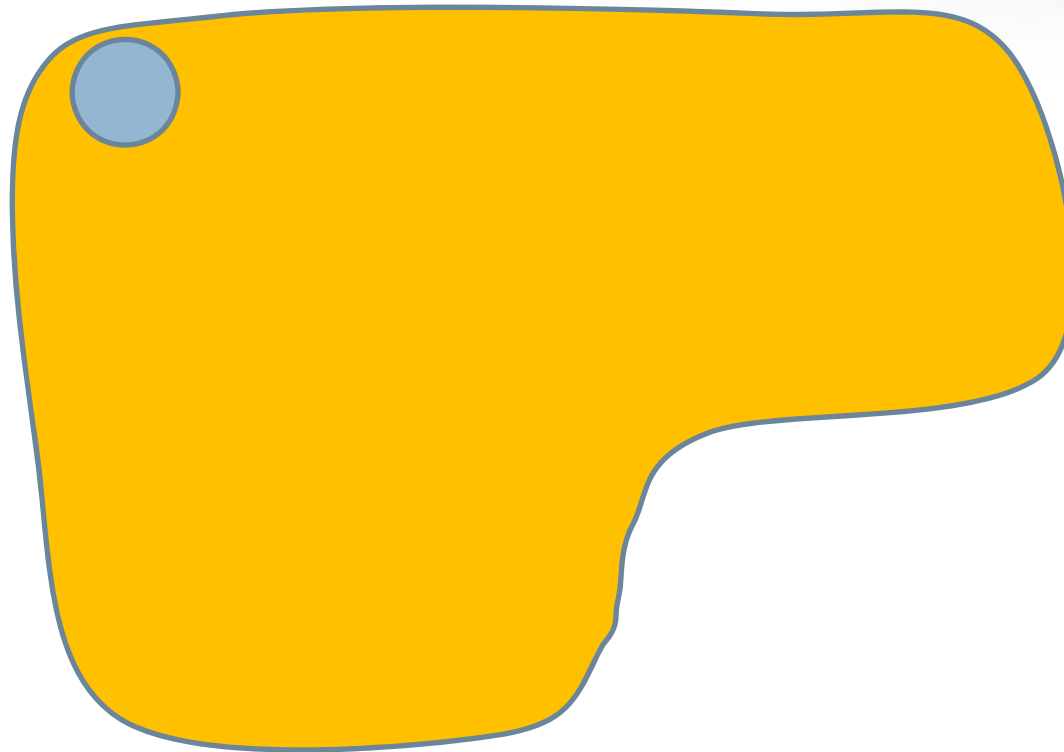
Layer stacking



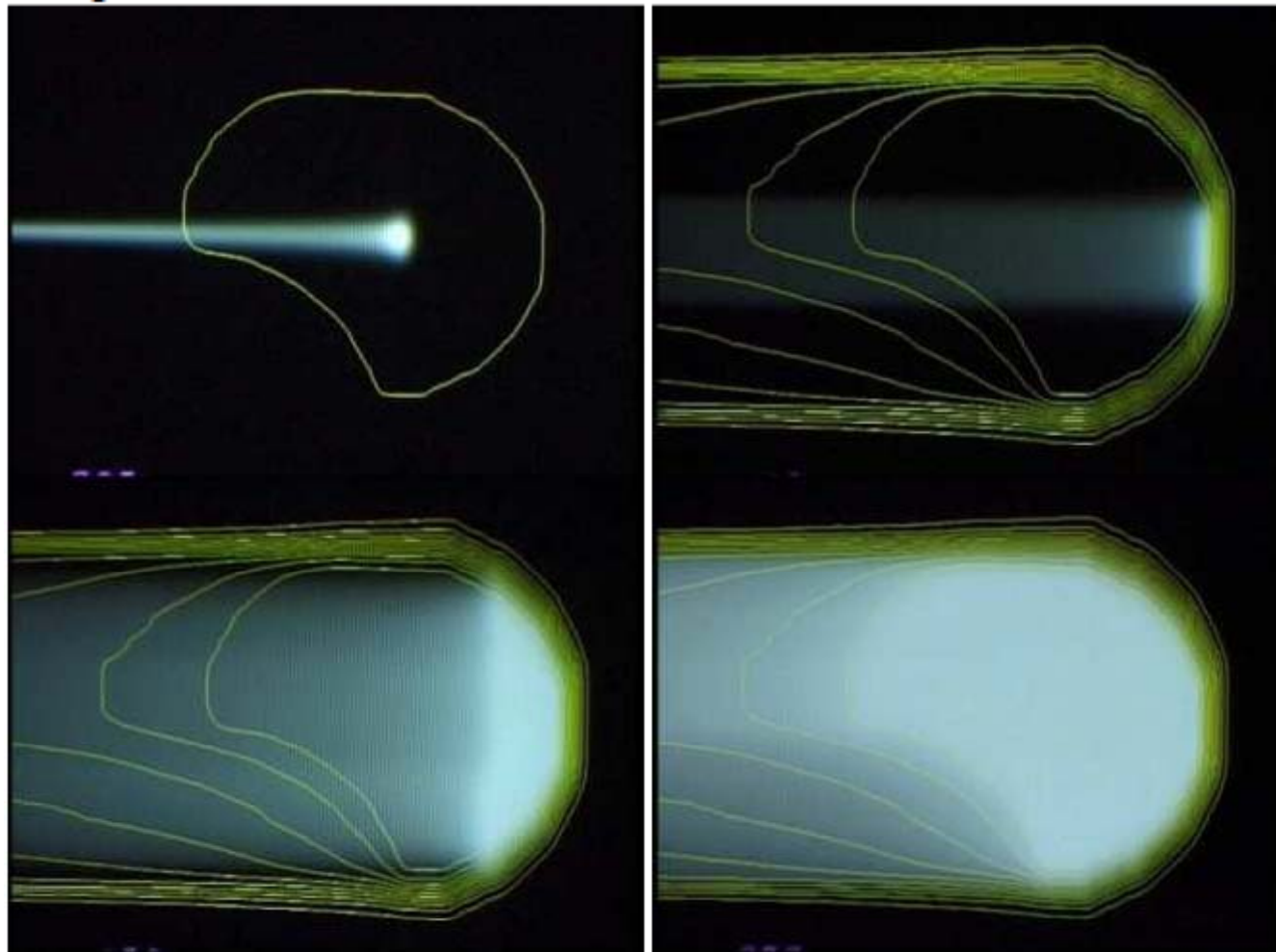
Active systems



Scanning beam

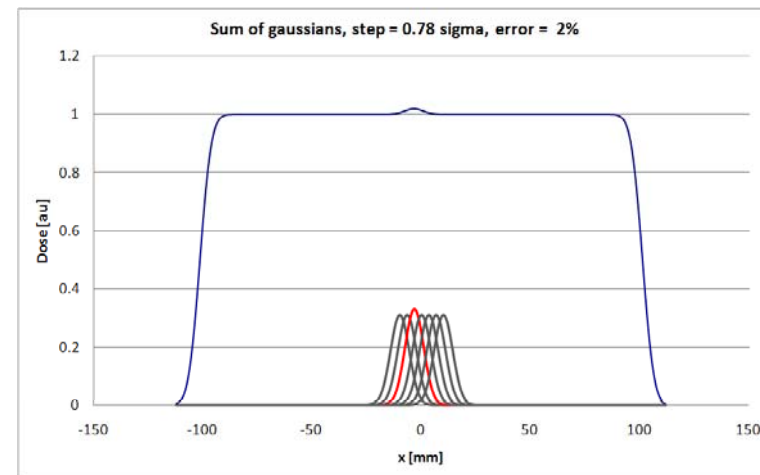
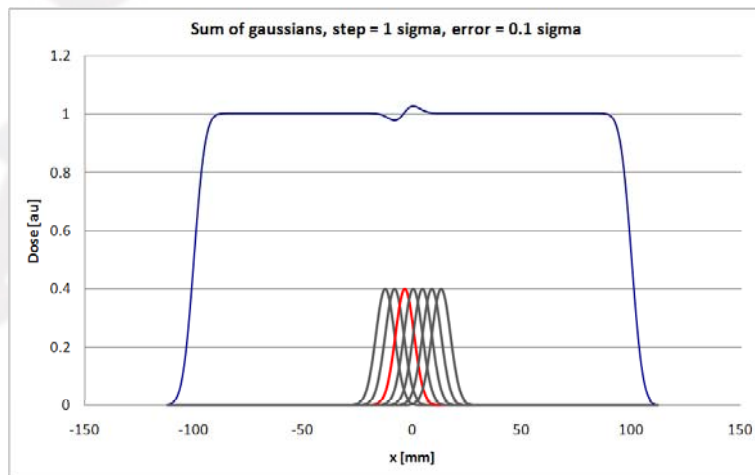
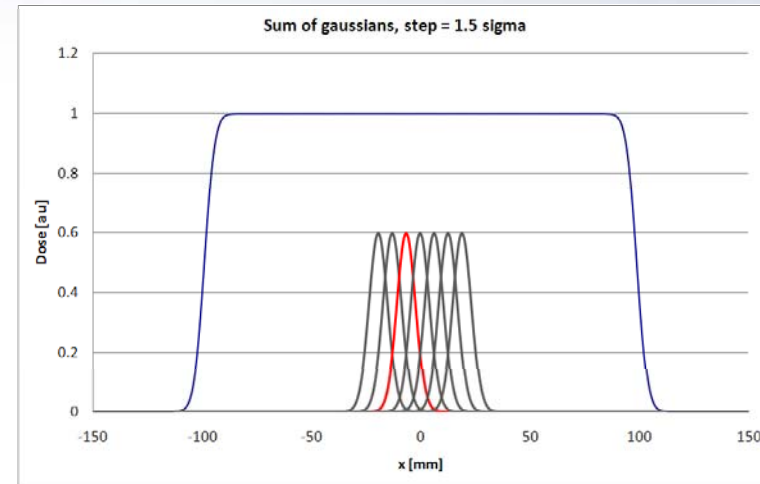
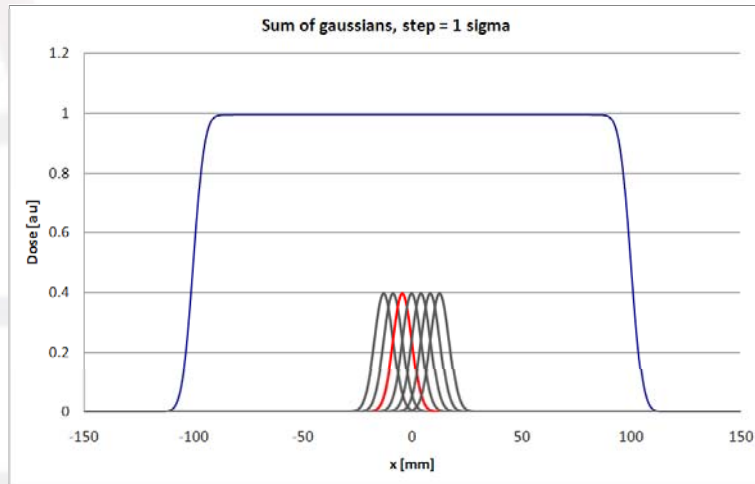


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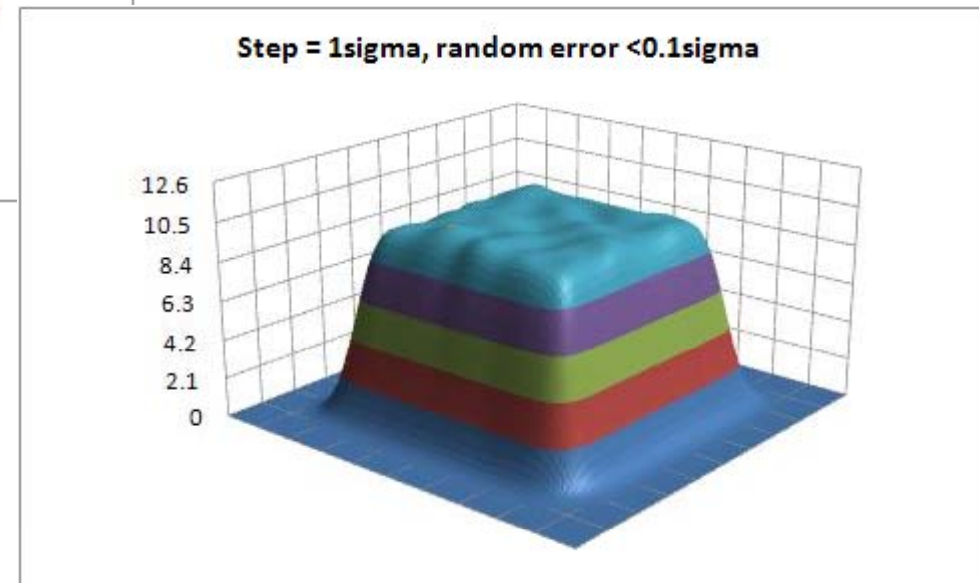
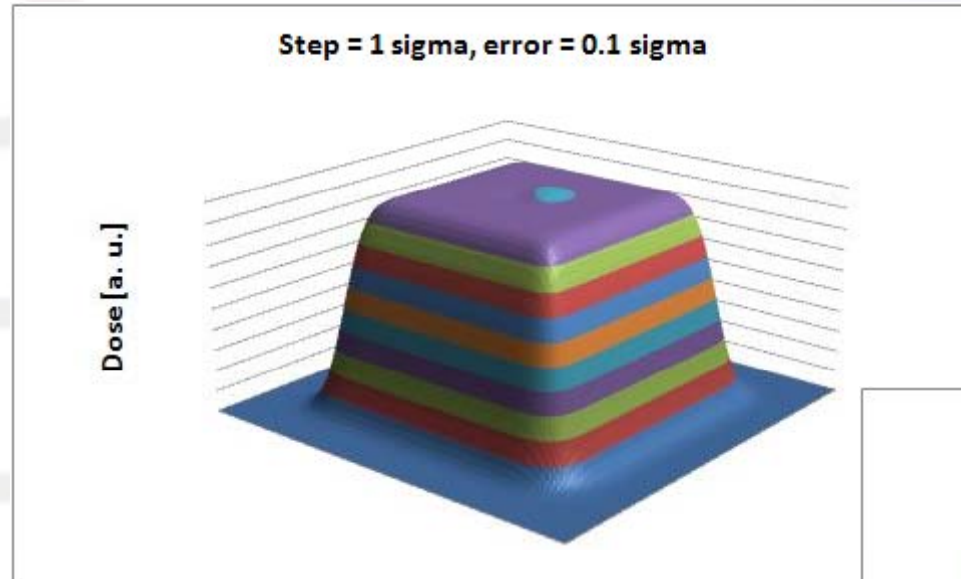


(Courtesy of E. Pedroni)

Beam position precision



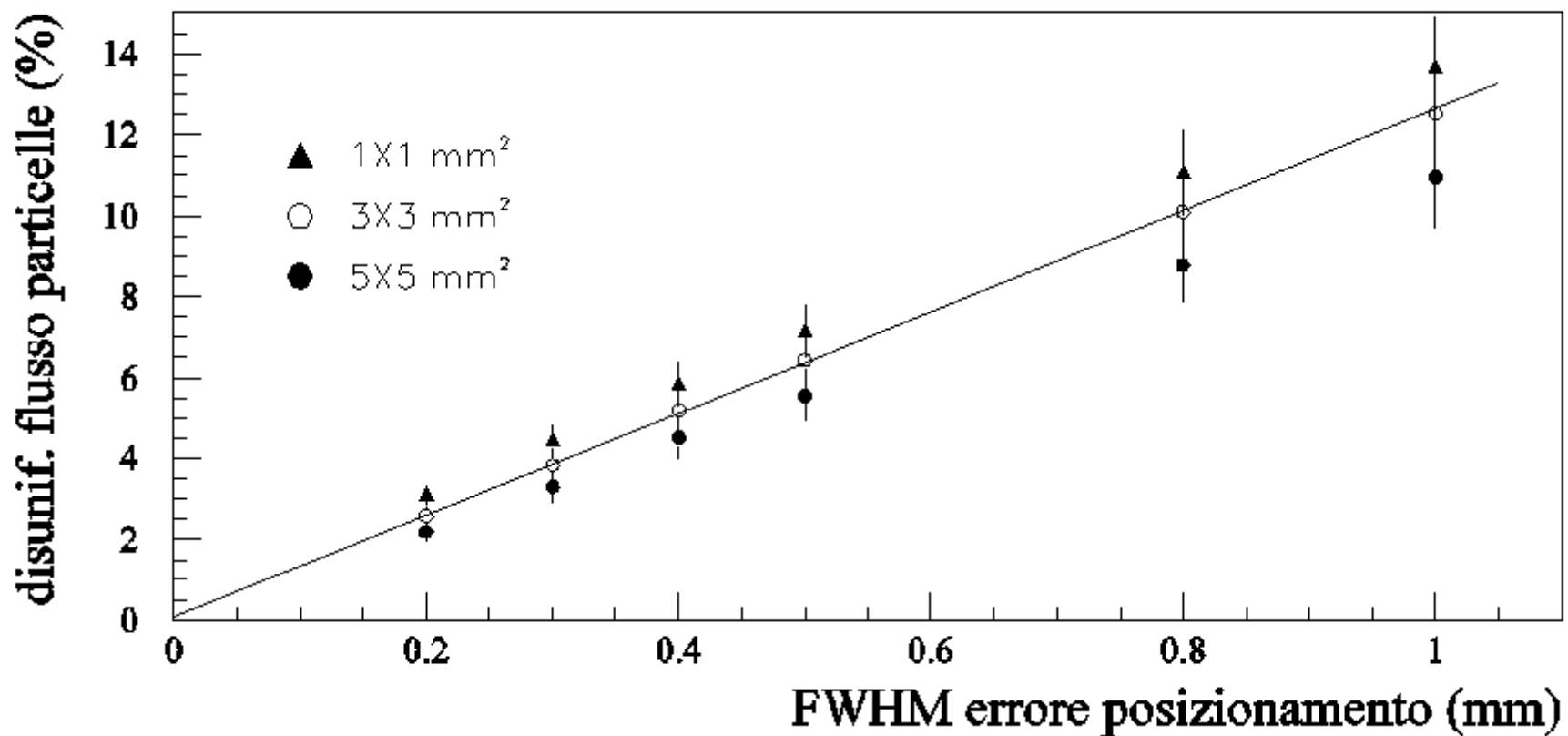
2D



Beam position requirement

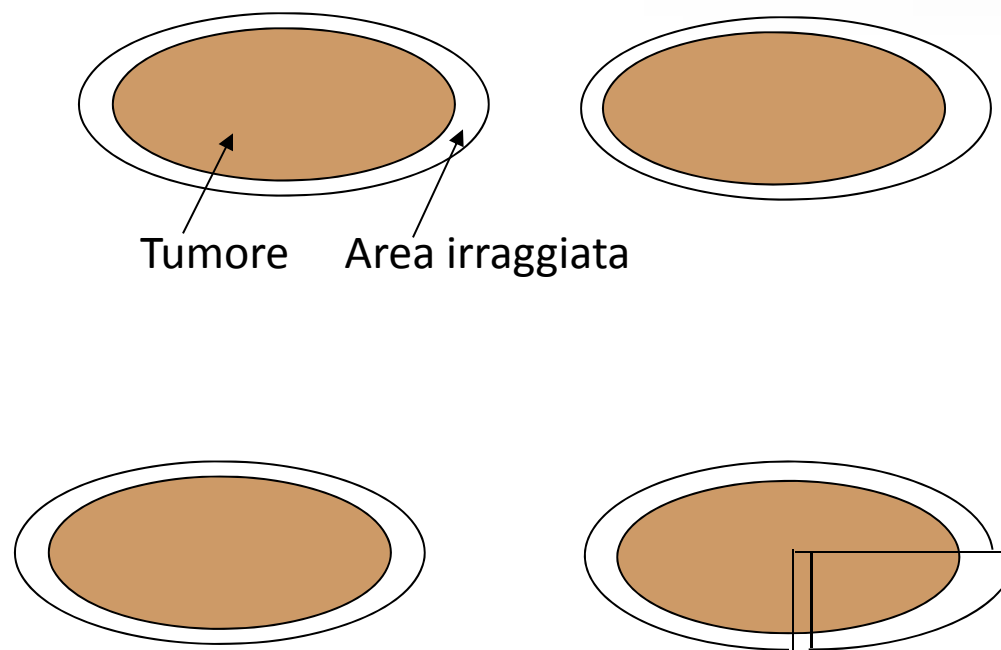


Gaussian beam, FWHM = 10 mm



Beam position error ~ 0.1 mm

Beam position errors



Long and medium term stability
(large slices, breath synchronization)

The CNAO Foundation



No profit organisation (Foundation) created with the financial law 2001 to build the National Center for Hadrontherapy designed by TERA Foundation

Founders:

Fondazione Policlinico Ospedale Maggiore- Milano
Fondazione Istituto Neurologico C. Besta - Milano
Fondazione Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori - Milano
Istituto Europeo di Oncologia - Milano
Fondazione Policlinico San Matteo - Pavia
Fondazione TERA - Novara

Institutional Participants:

Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare
Università di Milano
Politecnico di Milano
Università di Pavia
Comune di Pavia

Participants:

Fondazione Cariplo

National collaborations



TERA Foundation: final design and high tech specifications

INFN: co-direction HT, technical issues, radiobiology, research, formation

University of Milan: medical coordination and formation

University of Pavia: technical issues, radiobiology, formation

University of Catania: medical physics

University of Florence: medical physics

University of Turin: interface beam-patient, TPS

Polytechnic of Milan: patient positioning, radioprotection, authorisations

European Institute of Oncology: medical activities, authorisations

San Matteo Foundation: medical activities, logistics

Town of Pavia: land and authorisations

Province of Pavia: logistics and authorisation

International collaborations



CERN (Geneva): technical issues, PIMMS heritage

GSI (Darmstadt): linac and special components

LPSC (Grenoble): optics, betatron, low-level RF, control system

Med-Austron (Vienna): technical collaboration for MA centre

Roffo Institute (Buenos Aires): medical and research activities

NIRS (Chiba): medical activities, radiobiology, formation

HIT (Heidelberg): research activities

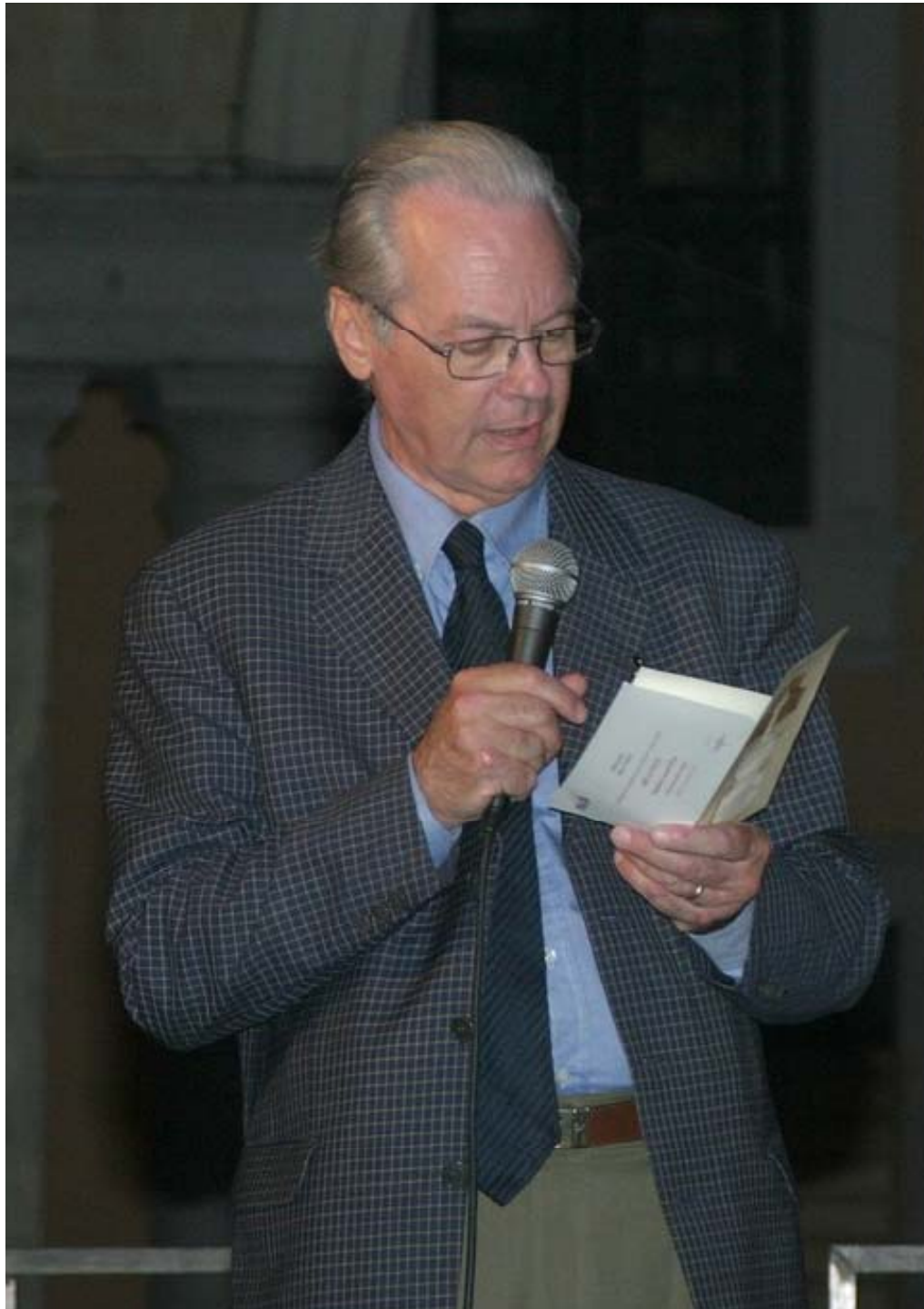
**Per un Centro di
Teleterapia con Adroni**

Ugo Amaldi

CERN e Università di Milano

Giampiero Tosi

Ospedale di Niguarda, Servizio di Fisica Sanitaria,
e Università di Milano



Origins - History



1990 – U. Amaldi and G. Tosi have the idea of promoting hadrontherapy in Italy

1991 – U. Amaldi and G. Tosi, “Per un centro di teleterapia con adroni”

1991 – ATER experiment at INFN

1992 – **TERA** Foundation is founded

1996 – PIMMS starts (TERA+CERN+MedAustron+Onkologie2000+GSI)

2000 – 2001 the **CNAO** foundation is created within the Financial Law

2003 – CNAO gets the project and hires the design group

The CNAO Phases



Phase 0: organisation

 Years: 2002 - 2004

Phase 1: construction

 Years: 2005 - 2009

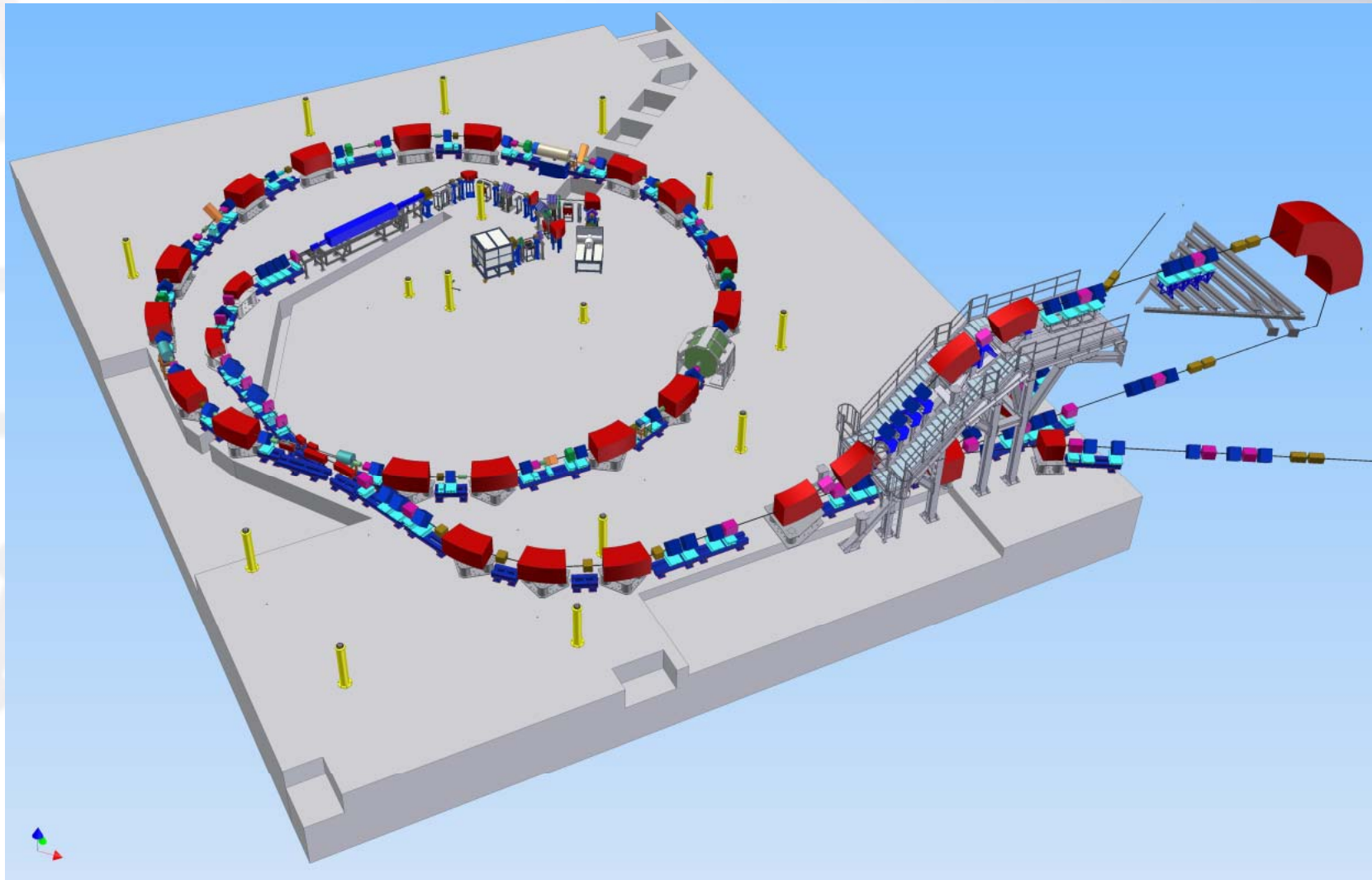
Phase 2: experimentation

 Years: 2010 - 2013

Phase 3: running

 Years : 2014 ...

The CNAO accelerator and lines



Aim of the center



AIM OF THE PROJECT

To treat deep tumours :

- With ion beams in the range $1 \leq Z \leq 6$
- With active scanning
- In approximately 3 min/field
- Dose uniformity $\pm 2.5\%$

Synchrotron with slow extraction!

Everything safe, proven and/or redundant

Design Parameters I



Protons (10^{10}/spill)				
	LEBT (*)	MEBT	SYNC	HEBT
Energy [MeV/u]	0.008	7	7-250	60-250
I_{max} [A]	1.3×10^{-3} (0.65, 0.45)	0.7×10^{-3}	5×10^{-3}	7×10^{-9}
I_{min} [A]	1.3×10^{-3} (0.65, 0.45)	70×10^{-6}	0.12×10^{-3}	17×10^{-12}
$\epsilon_{rms,geo}$ [π mm mrad]	45	1.9	0.67-4.2	0.67-1.43(V)
$\epsilon_{90,geo}$ [π mm mrad]	180	9.4	3.34-21.2	3.34-7.14 (V) 5.0 (H)
Magnetic rigidity [T m]	0.013 (0.026)	0.38	0.38-2.43	0.38-2.43
$(\Delta p/p)_{tot}$	$\pm 1.0\%$	$\pm(1.2-2.2)\%$	$\pm(1.2-3.4)\%$	$\pm(0.4-0.6)\%$

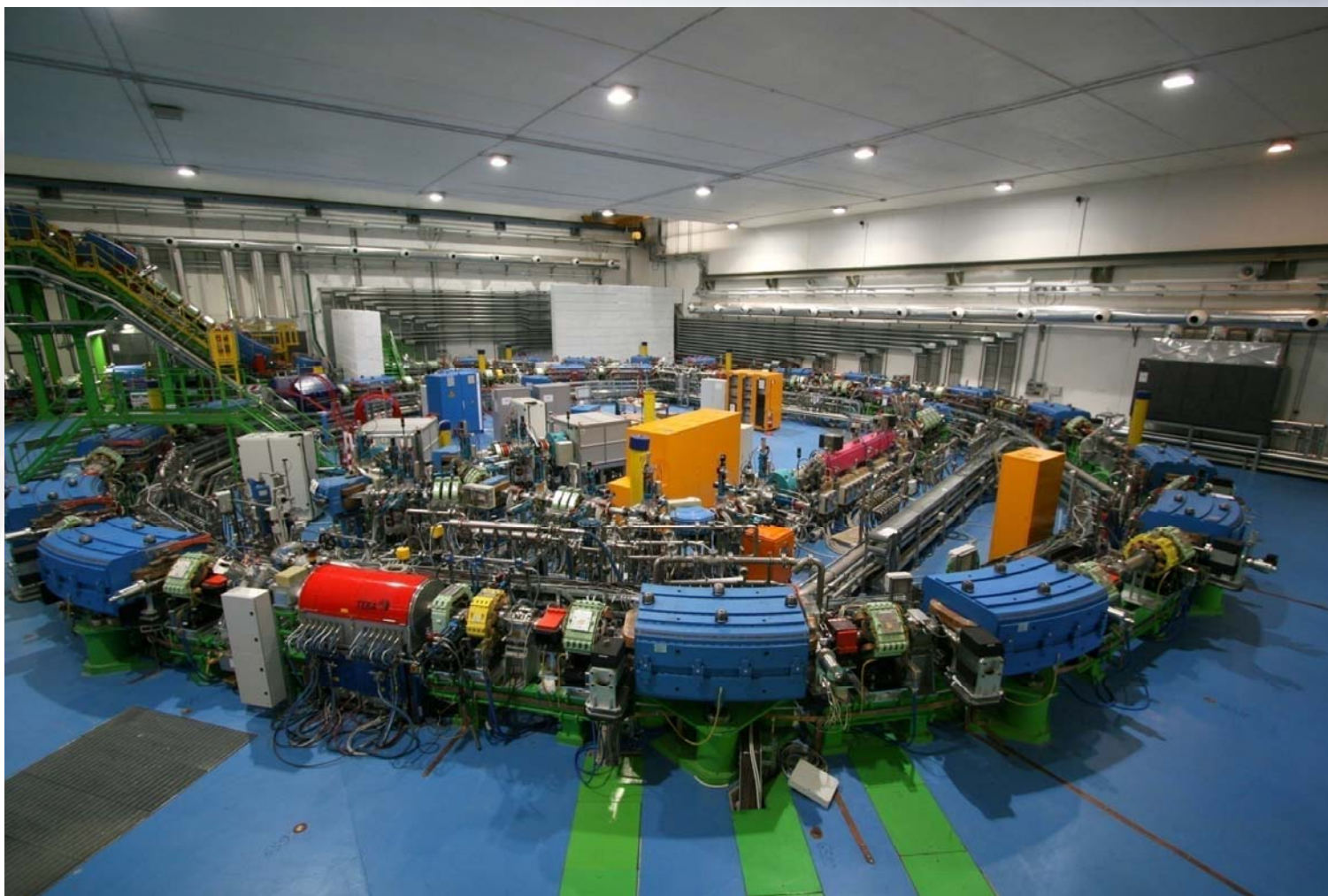
* (H_2^+ , H_3^+)

Design Parameters II

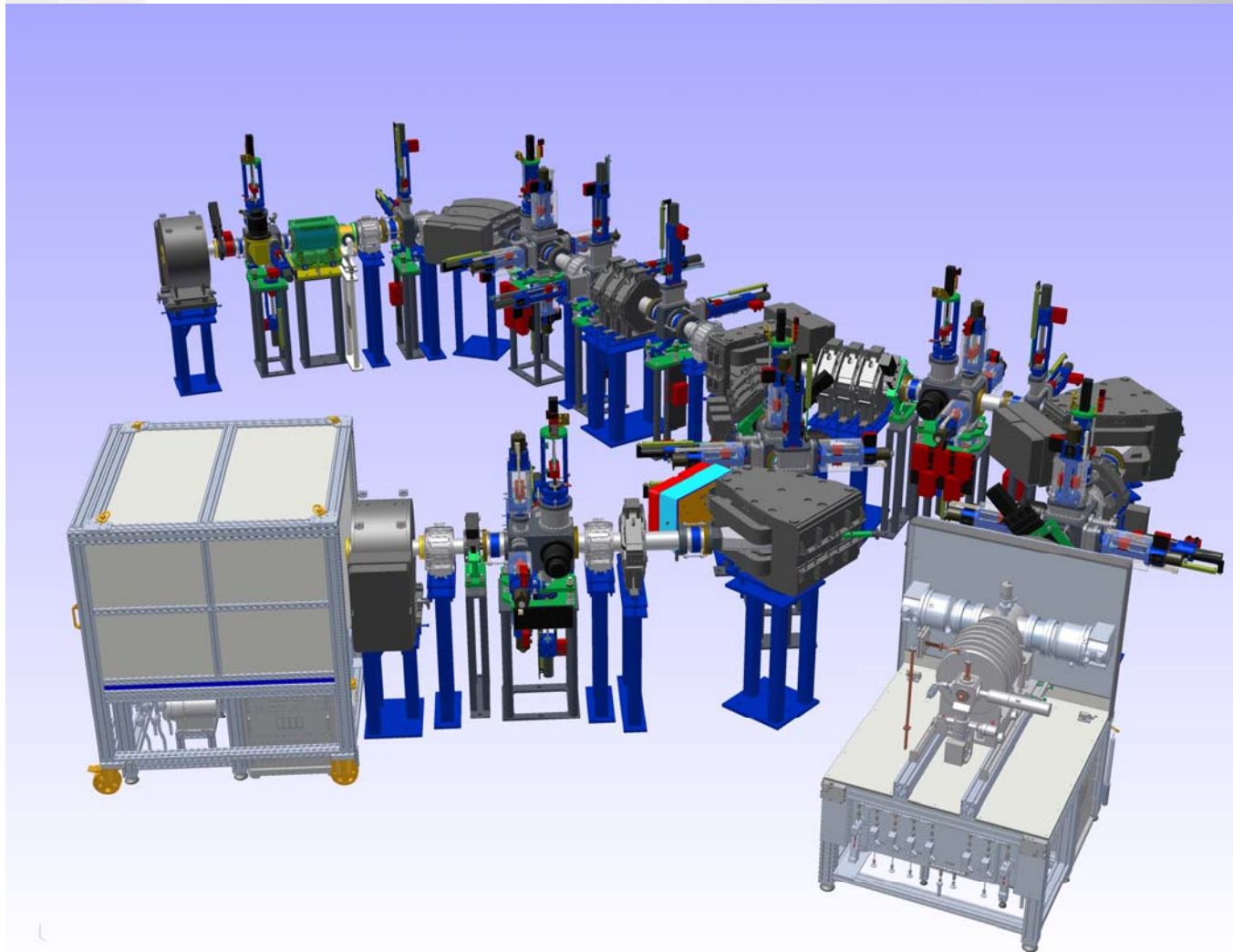


Carbon ($4 \cdot 10^8$ C/spill)				
	LEBT (C^{4+})	MEBT	SYNC	HEBT
Energy [MeV/u]	0.008	7	7-400	120-400
I_{max} [A]	0.15×10^{-3}	0.15×10^{-3}	1.5×10^{-3}	2×10^{-9}
I_{min} [A]	0.15×10^{-3}	15×10^{-6}	28×10^{-6}	4×10^{-12}
$\epsilon_{rms,geo}$ [π mm mrad]	45	1.9	0.73-6.1	0.73-1.43(V)
$\epsilon_{90,geo}$ [π mm mrad]	180	9.4	3.66-30.4	3.66-7.14 (V) 5.0 (H)
Magnetic rigidity [T m]	0.039	0.76	0.76-6.34	3.25-6.34
$(\Delta p/p)_{tot}$	$\pm 1.0\%$	$\pm(1.2-2.0)\%$	$\pm(1.2-2.9)\%$	$\pm(0.4-0.6)\%$

Facciamo un giro della facility



Sources and LEBT



0.008 MeV/u H_3^+
0.008 MeV/u C^{4+}

$I \sim 0.5$ mA (H_3^+)
 $I \sim 0.2$ mA (C^{4+})

Two ECR sources

Continuous beam

LEBT Chopper

LINAC system



217 MHz

RFQ

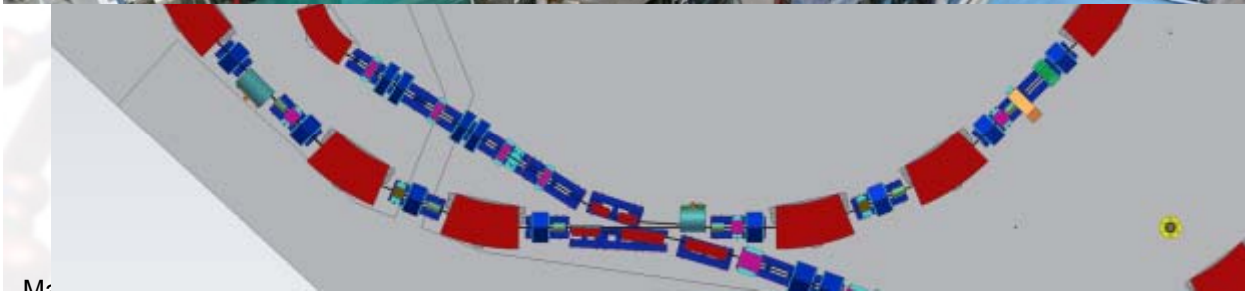
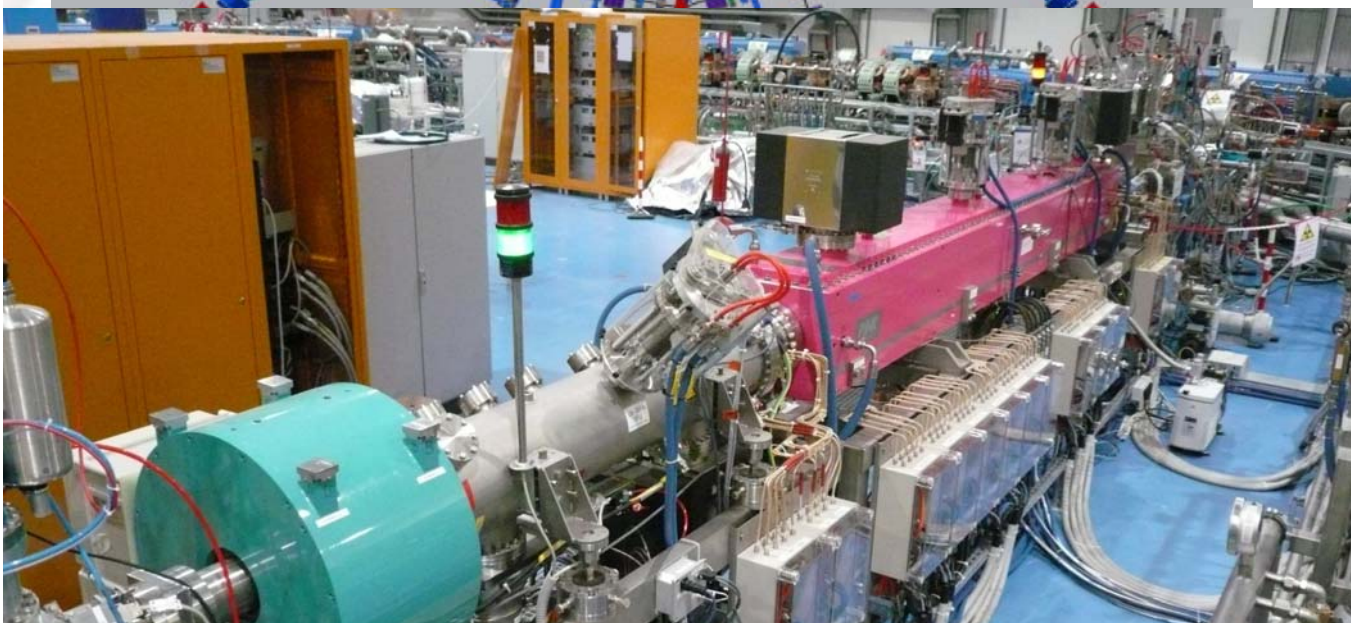
0.008-0.4 MeV/u H_3^+

0.008-0.4 MeV/u C^{4+}

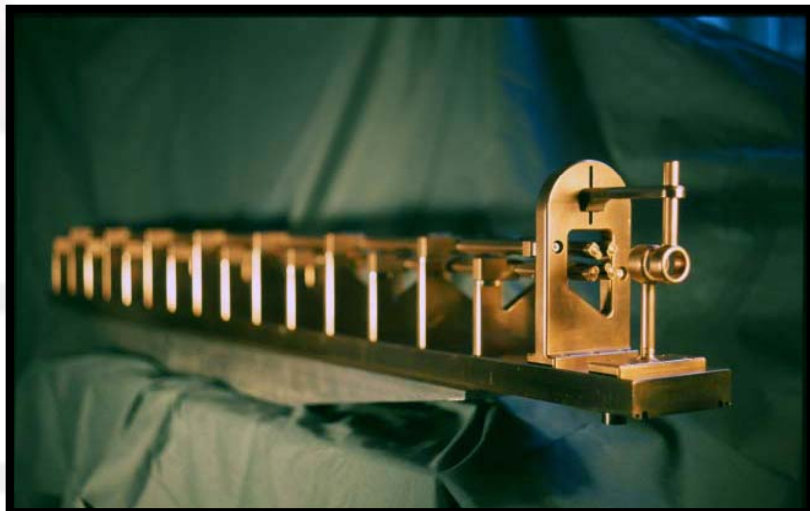
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0.4-7 MeV/u H_3^+

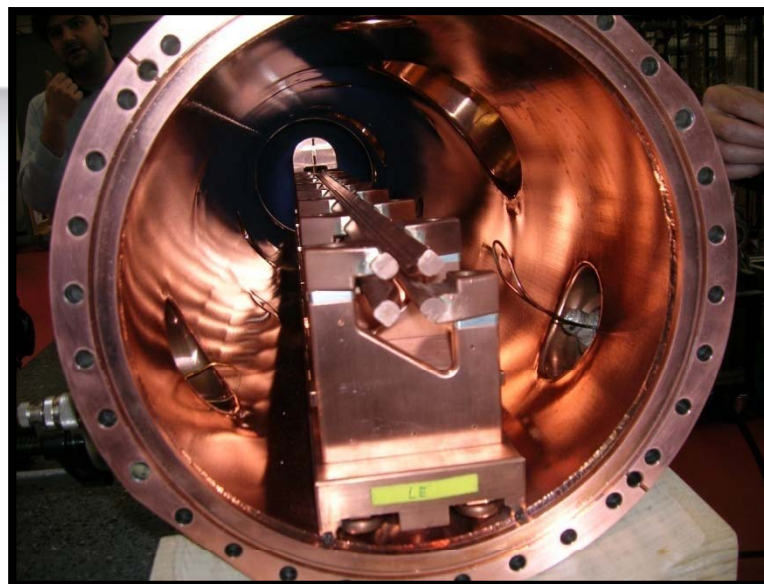
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CNAO RFQ



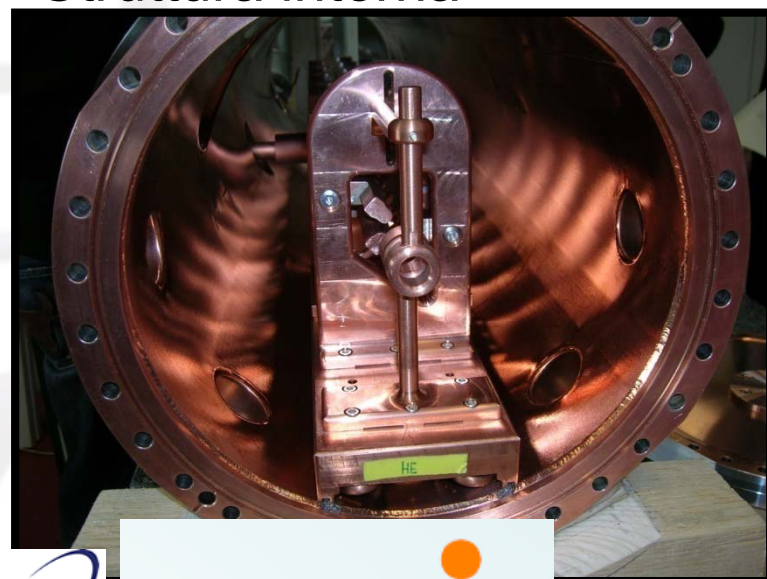
Struttura interna



Ingresso ioni

217 MHz

Four-rod like type
Energy range = 8 - 400 keV/u
Electrode length = 1.35 m,
Electrode voltage = 70 kV
RF power loss (pulse): about 100 kW
Low duty cycle: around 0.1%



Uscita ioni

LINAC



3	Integrated magnetic triplet lenses
56	Accelerating gaps
Energy range	0.4 – 7 MeV/u
Tank length	3.77 m
Inner tank height	0.34 m
Inner tank width	0.26 m
Drift tube aperture diam.	12 – 16 mm
RF power loss (pulse)	≈ 1 MW
Averaged eff. volt. gain	5.3 MV/m

MEBT Layout



7 MeV p
7 MeV/u C⁶⁺

$I \sim 0.75$ mA (p)
 $I \sim 0.12$ mA (C⁶⁺)

Stripping foil

Current selection

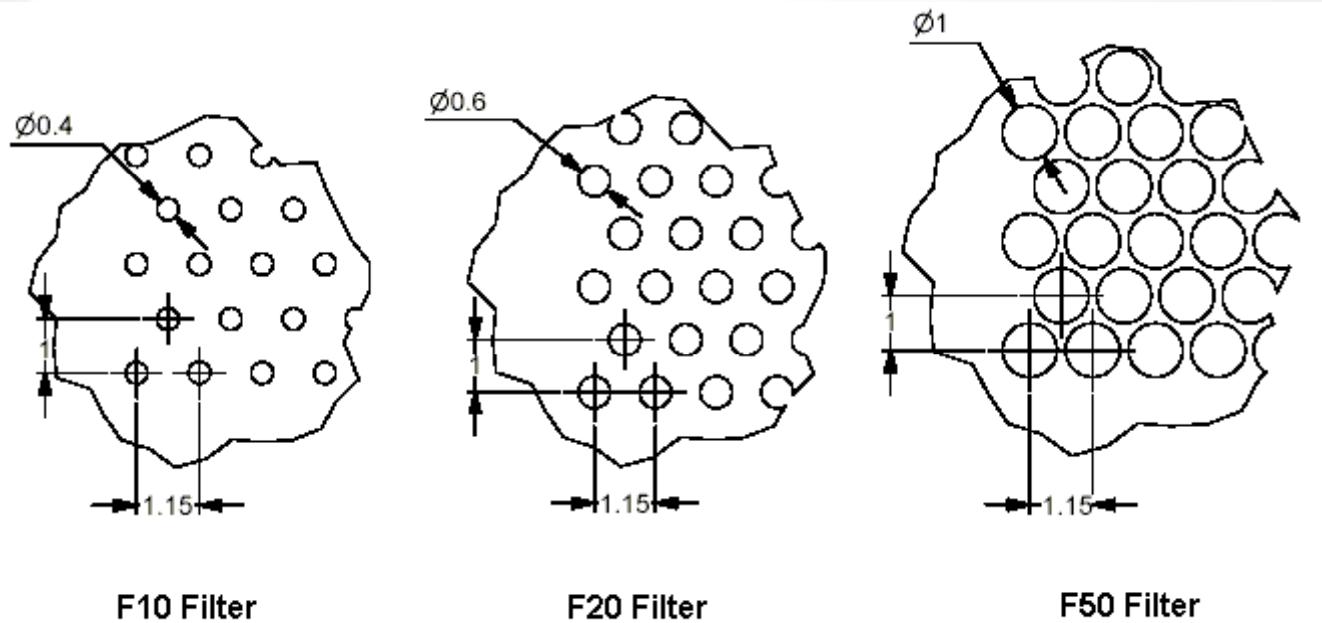
Debuncher

Emittance dilution

Match betas

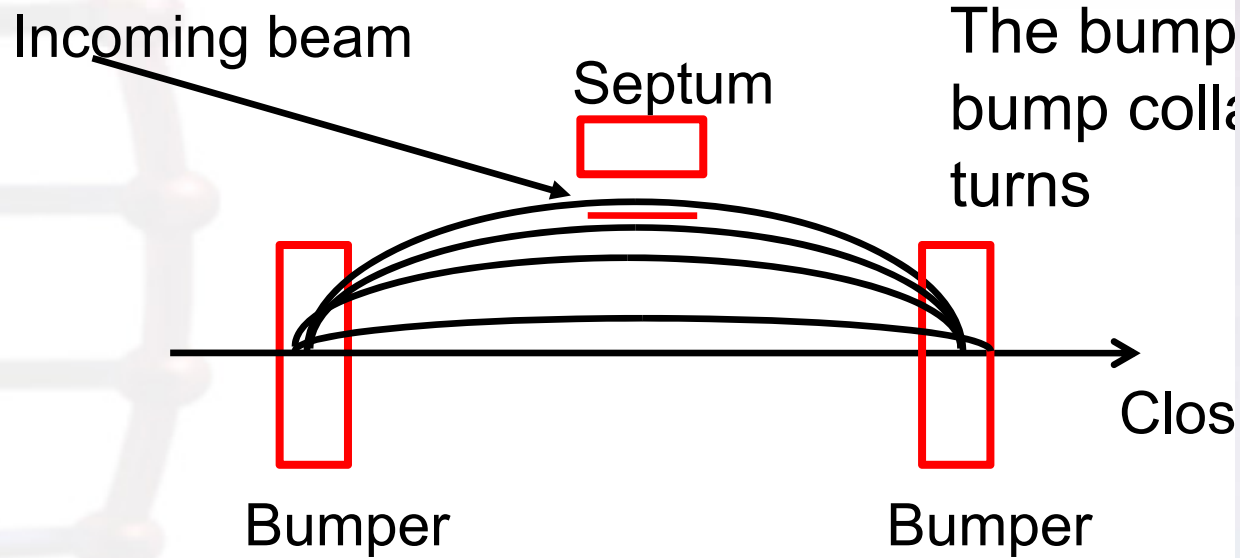
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Intensity degrader

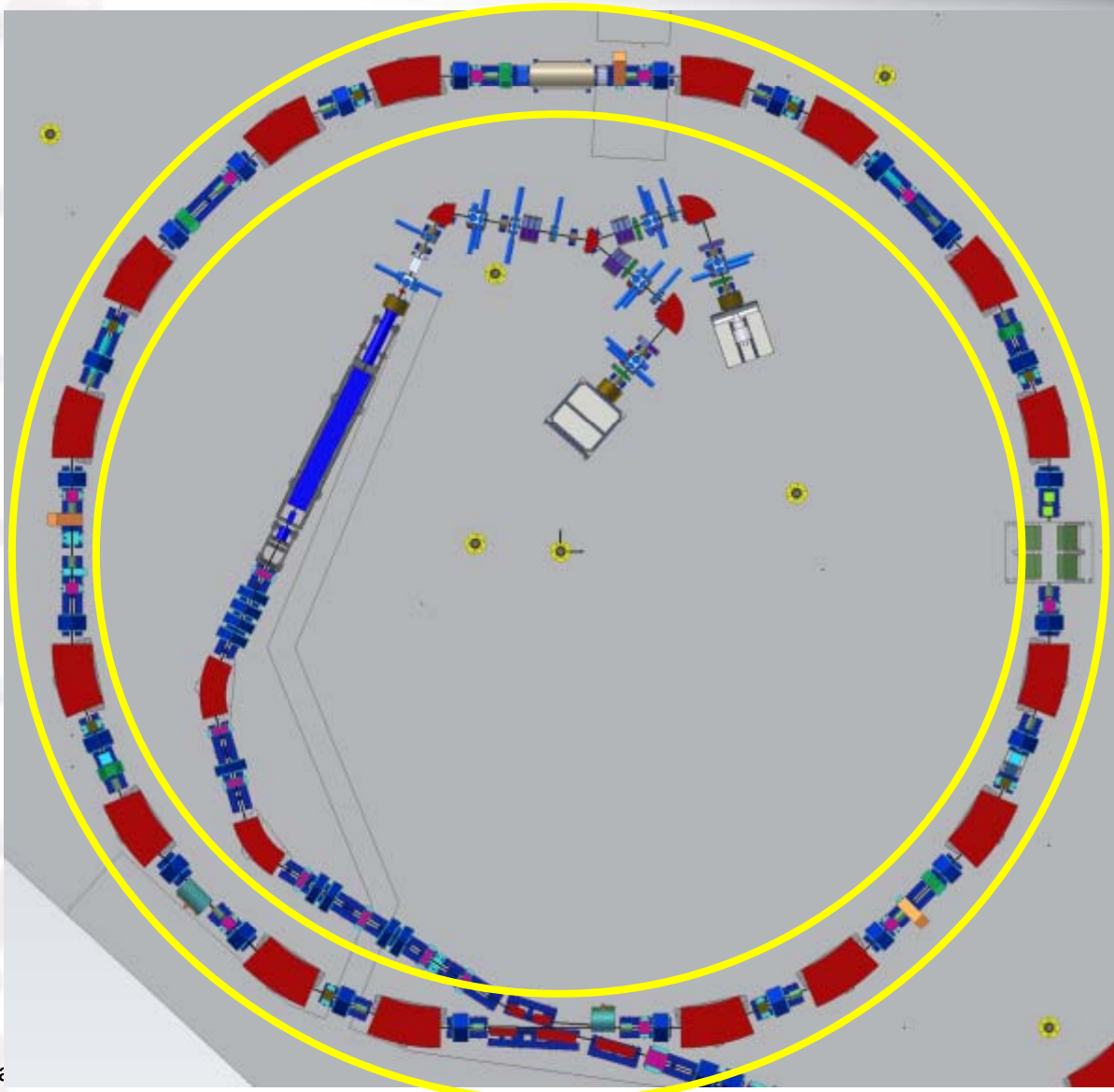


4 transmission levels: 100%, 50%, 20%, 10%
Keep overall emittance unchanged

Multiturn injection



Synchrotron

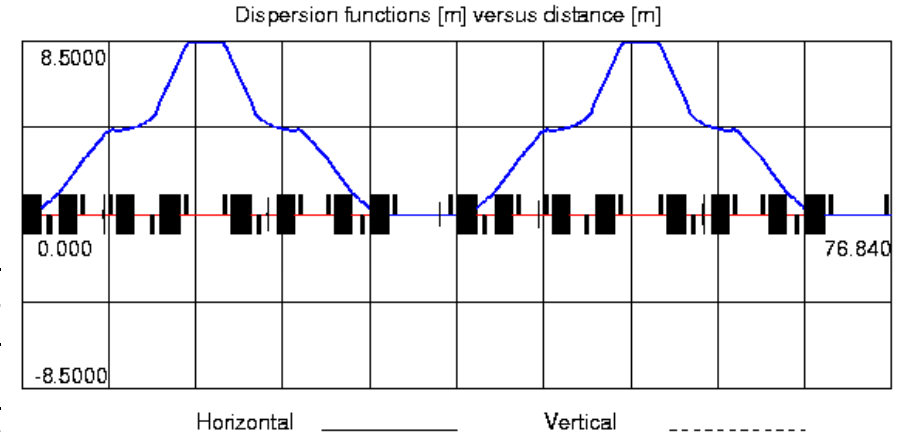
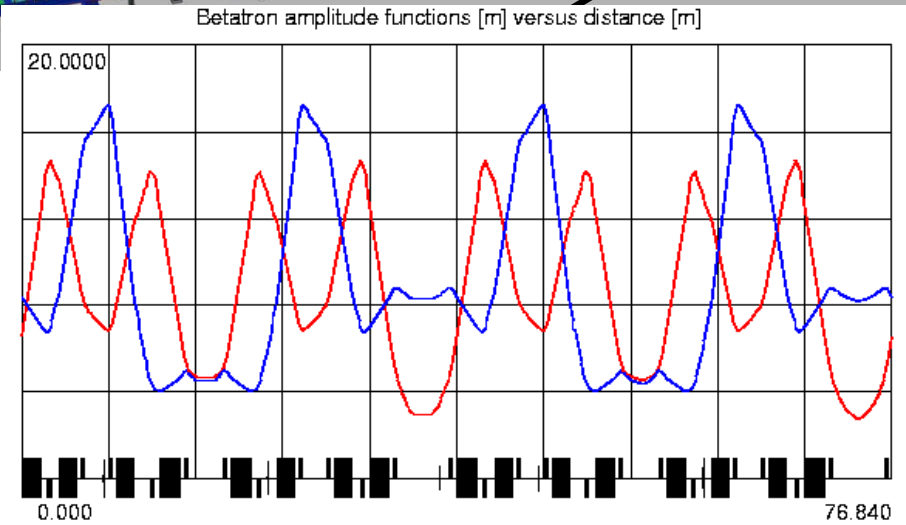
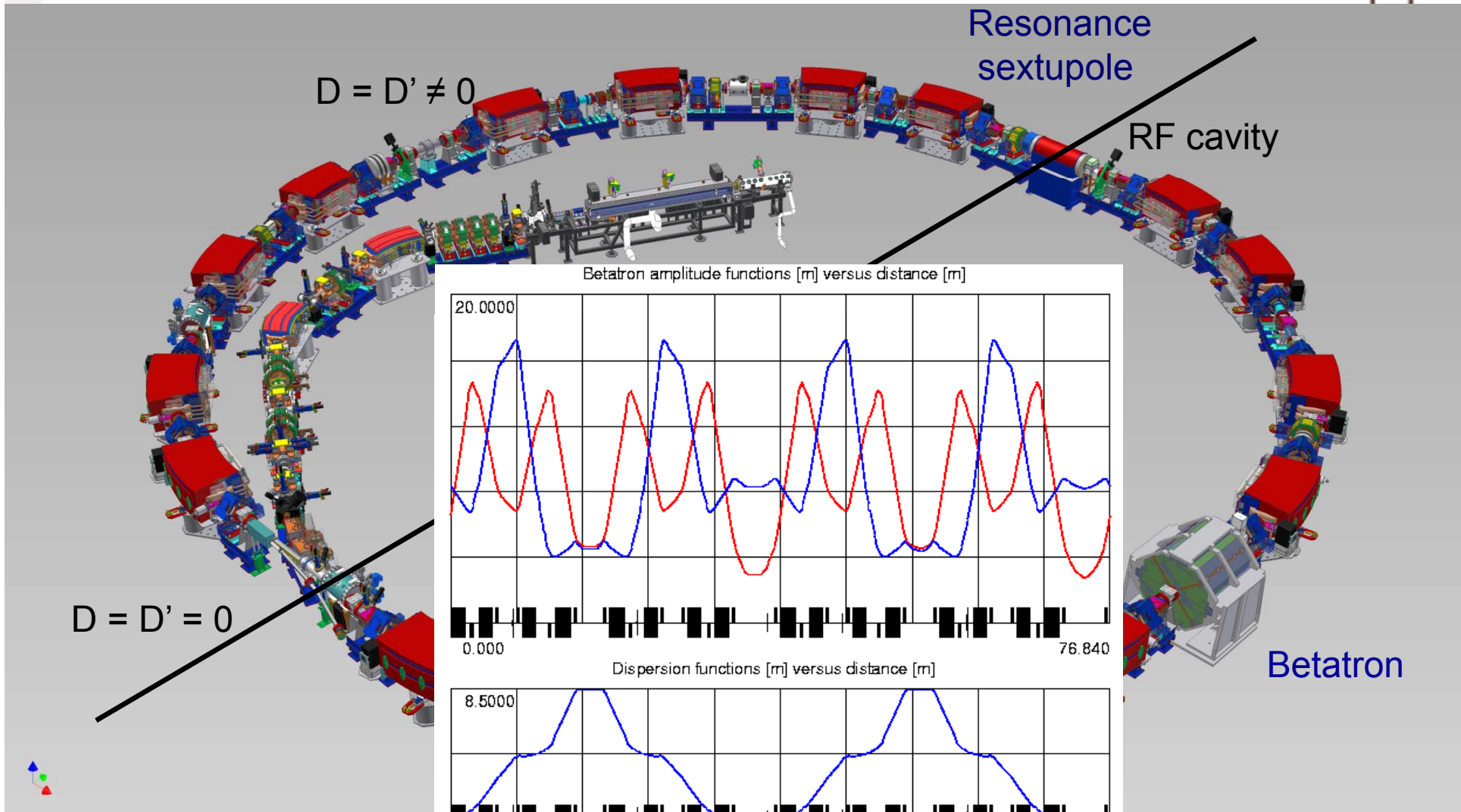


7-250 MeV p
7-400 MeV/u C

$I \sim 0.1-5$ mA (p)
 $I \sim 0.03-1.5$ mA (C)

Slow extraction

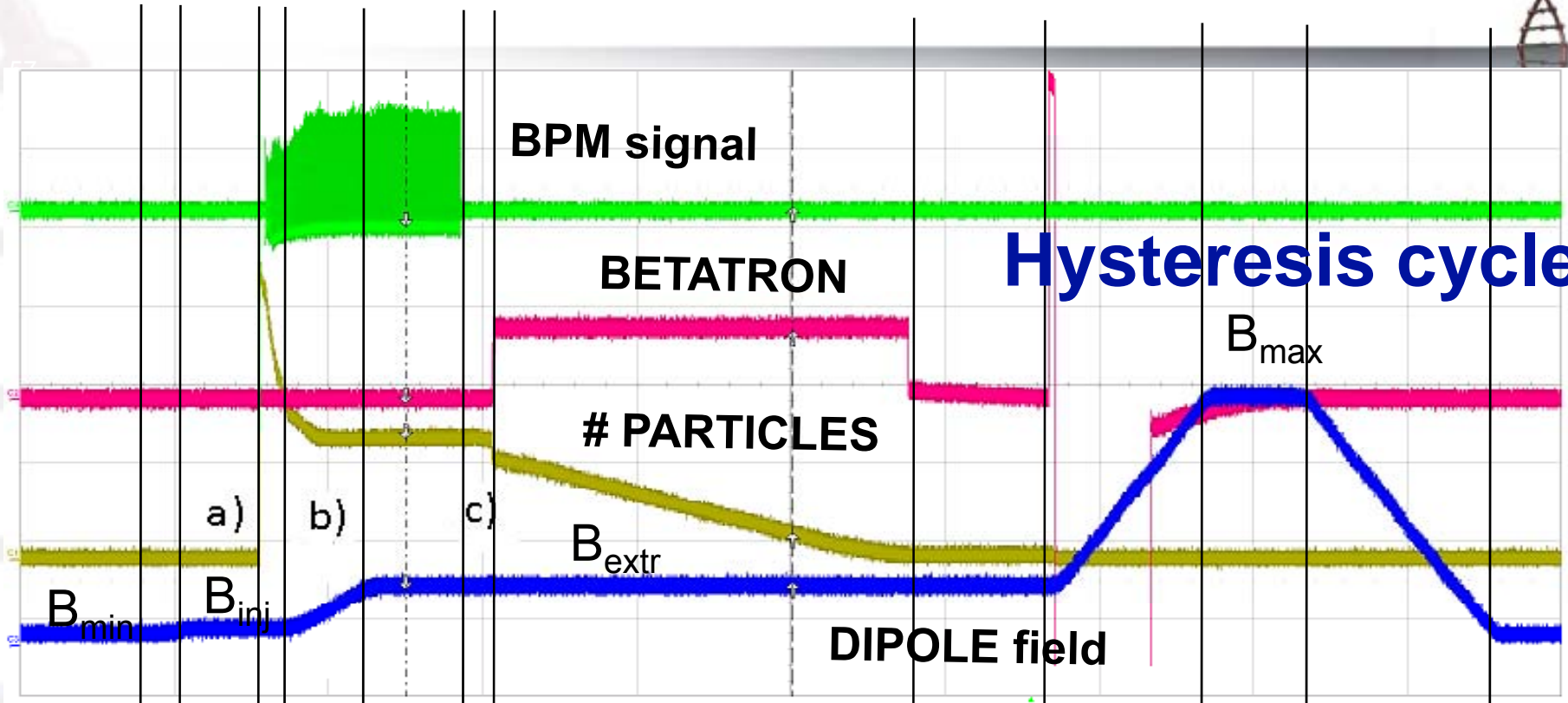
Betatron core



	P inj	P
$B\rho$ (T m)	0.4	

C6+- 400 MeV
6.4

Machine Cycle



Hysteresis cycle

B_{max}

PARTICLES

B_{extr}

B_{min}

a)

b)

c)

Inj bumper on

Multiturn

Rf trapping

Acceleration

Rf jump

Rf off

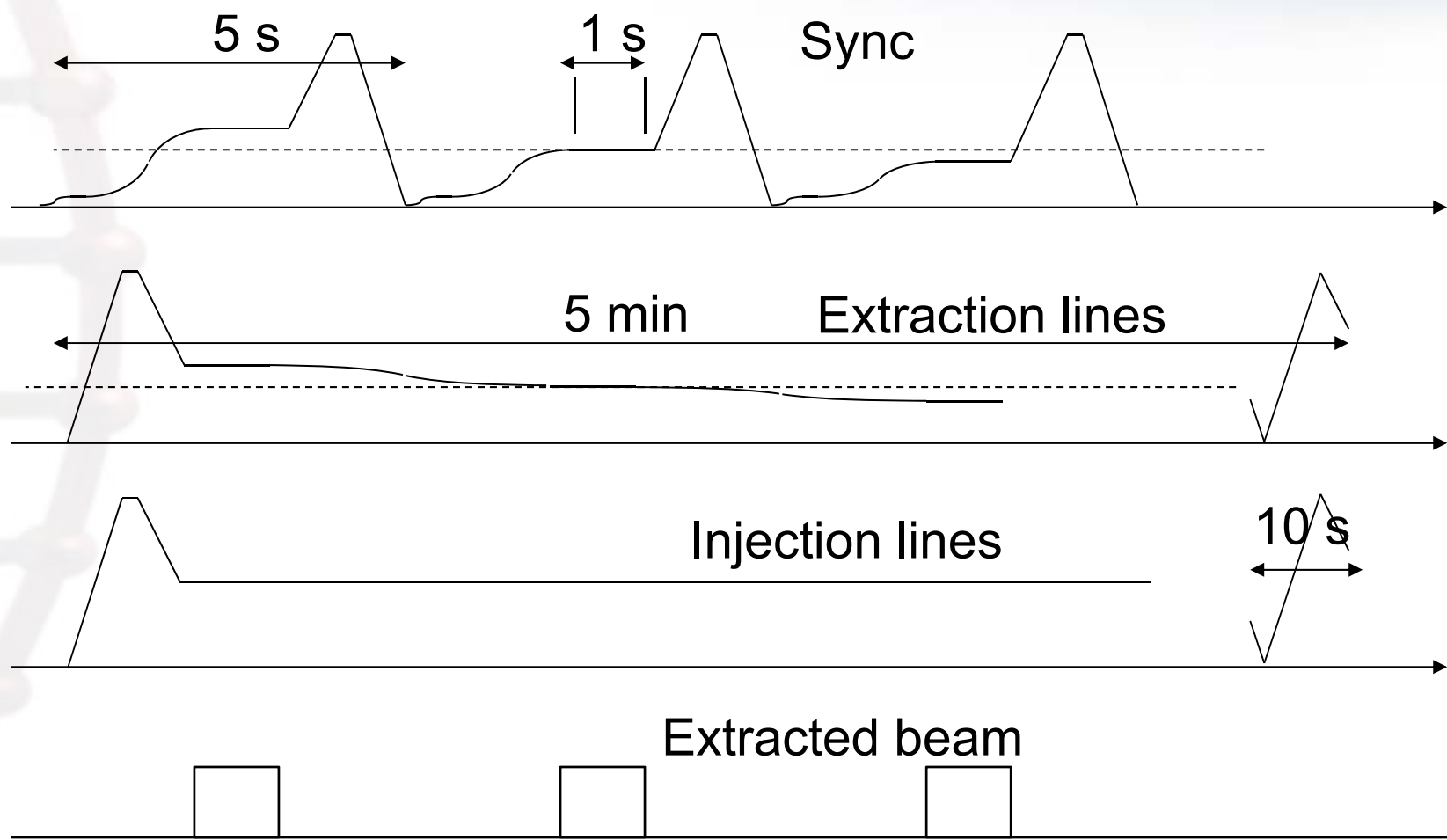
Start betatron

Stop betatron

Start hysteresis

End cycle

Treatment execution



Extraction possibilities at CNAO



Betatron core

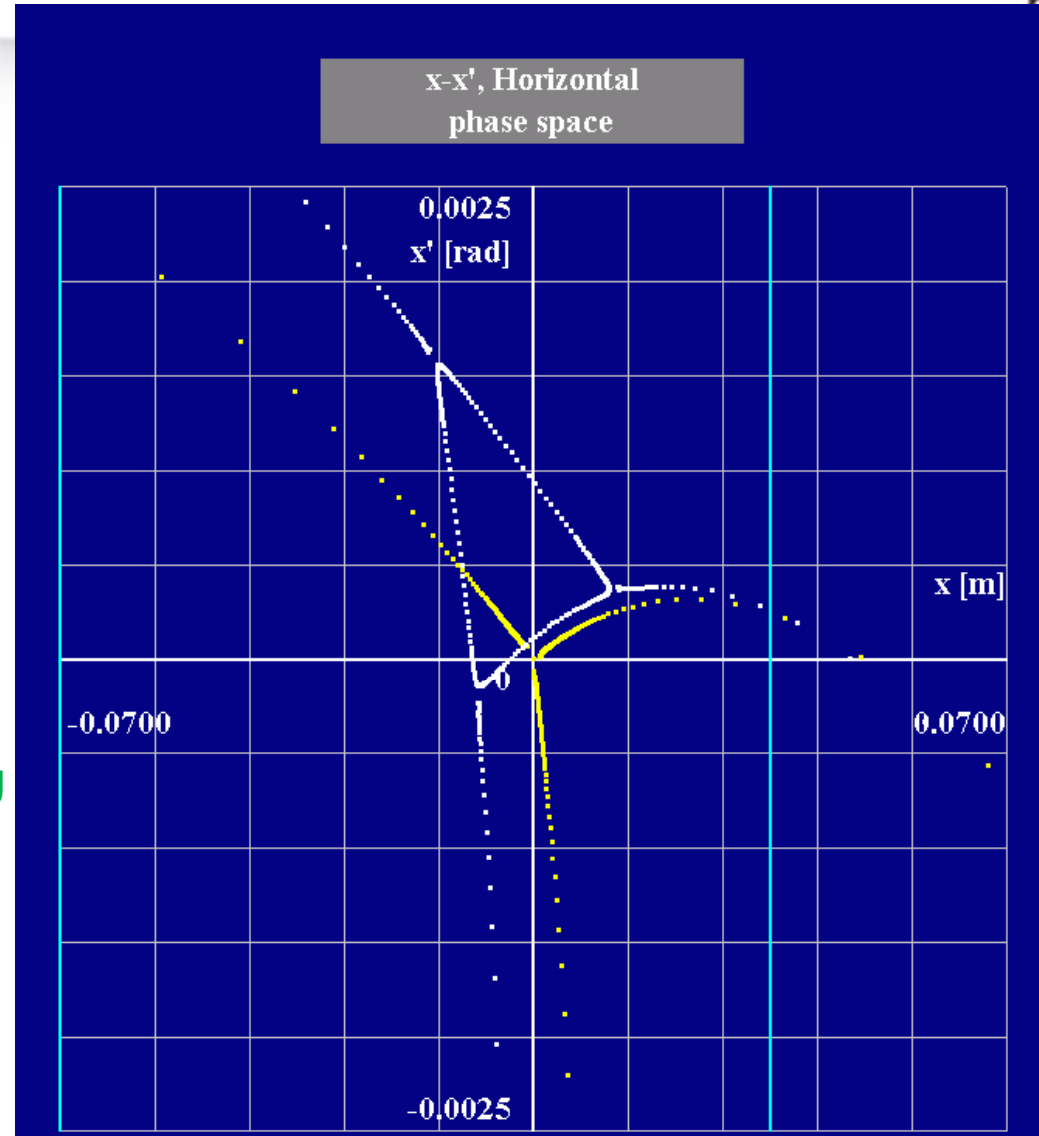
Empty bucket

Air core quadrupole

RF-KO with Schottky Pick-up

Beam shaping with Schottky PU

Additional quad winding



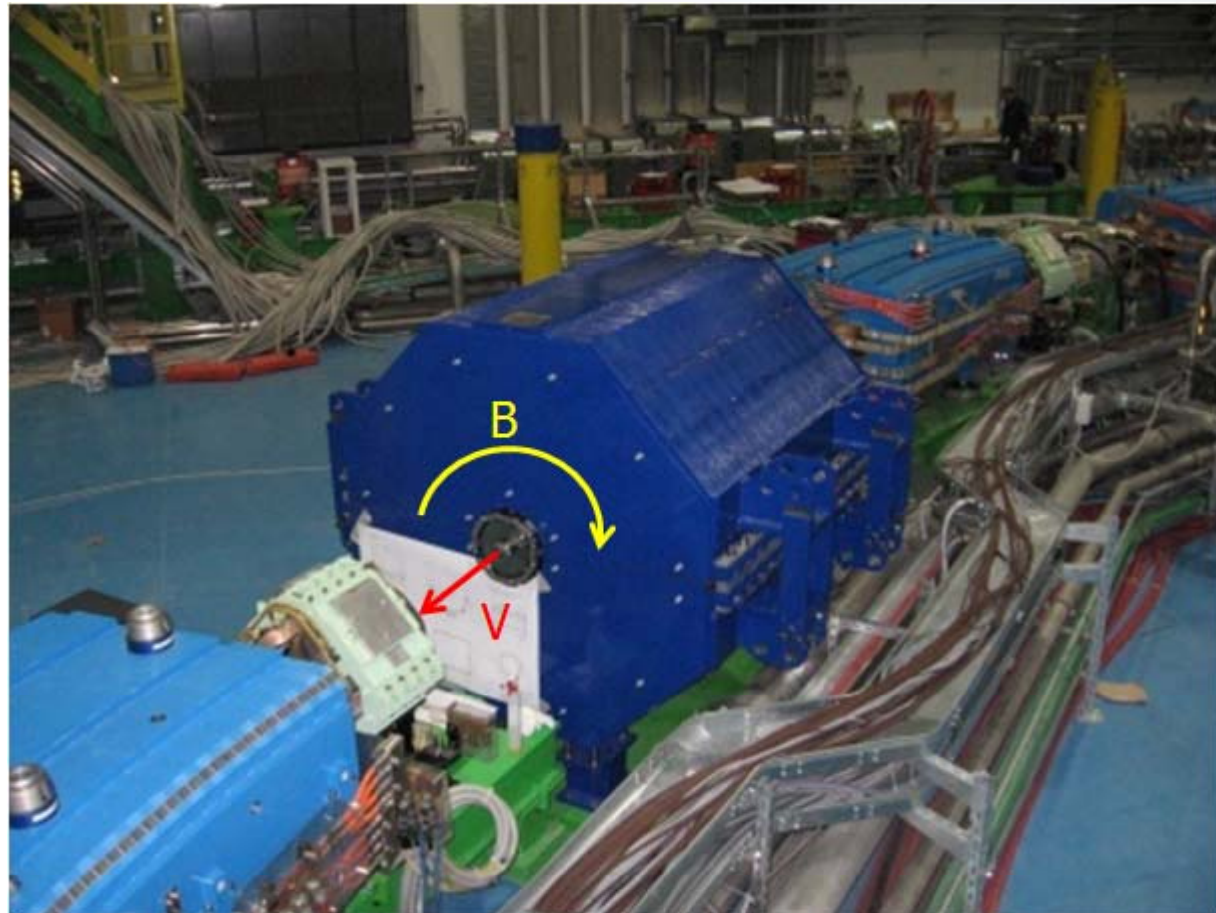
Betatron core



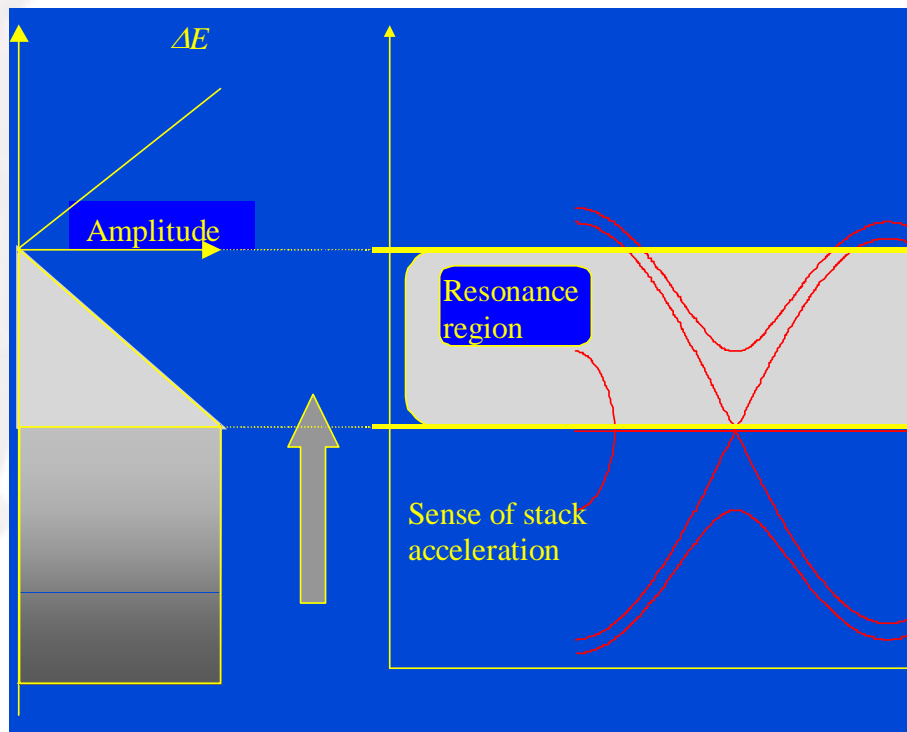
Pushes the beam
against the
resonance

$$\Delta\Phi = 2.46 \text{ Wb}$$

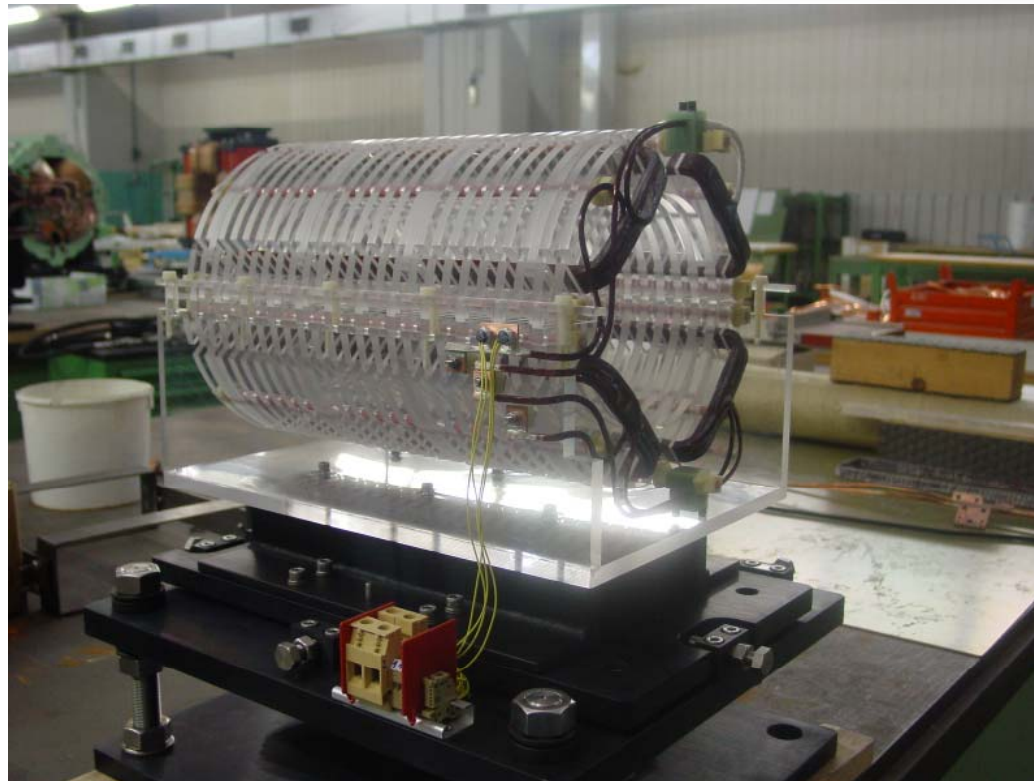
Magnetic screen
needed



Empty bucket



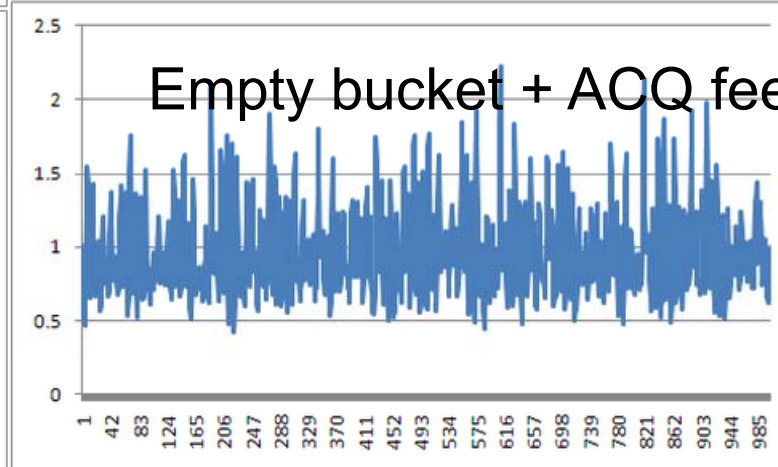
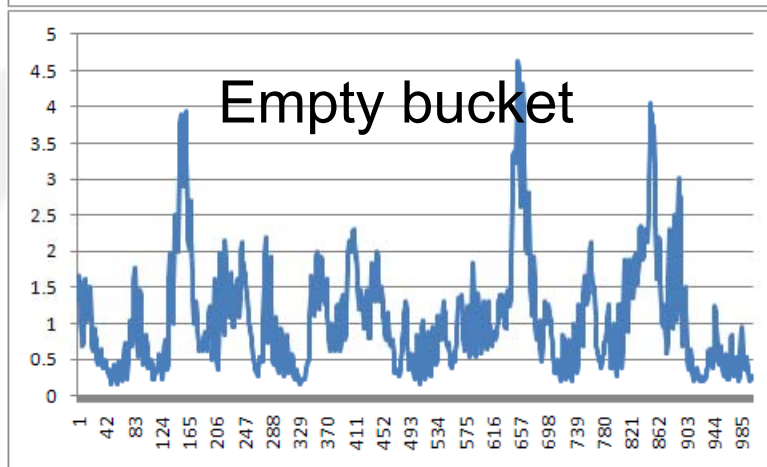
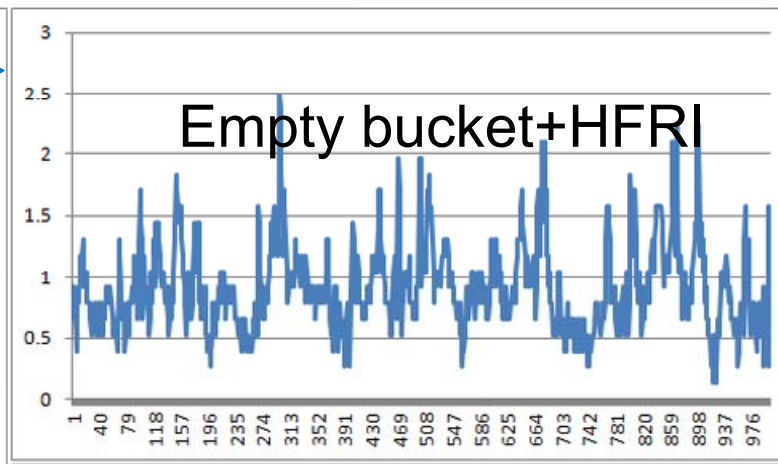
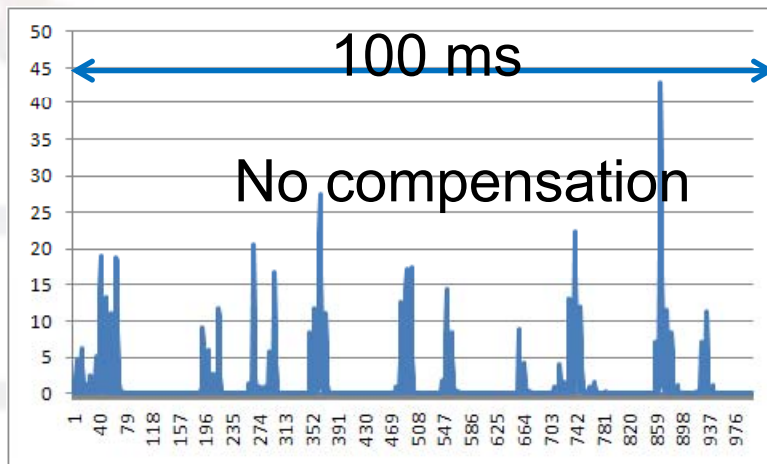
Air core quadrupole



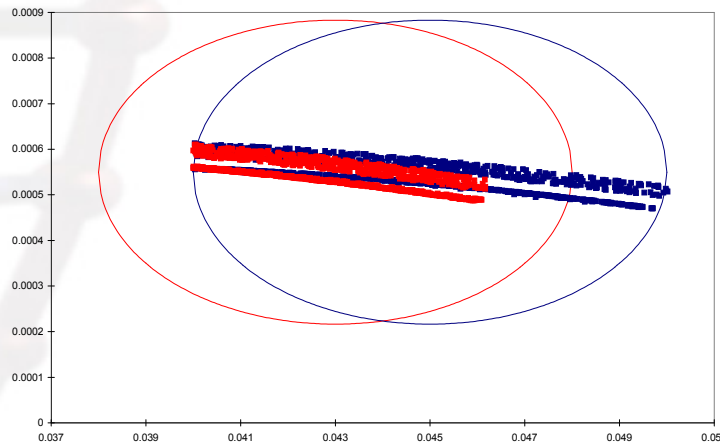
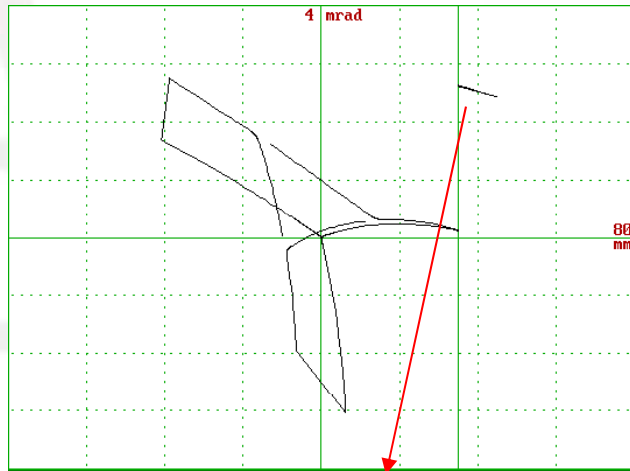
Ripple compensation



Integration time 100 us (10 kHz data)



Extracted beam



Twiss functions at entry (ES in ring)

$\beta_x = 5 \text{ m}$	$\alpha_x = 0$	'Free' parameter.
$E_x = 5\pi \text{ mm mrad}$		'Unfilled' ellipse - 'free'.
$\beta_z = 7.16 \text{ m}$	$\alpha_z = -0.18$	Values from ring.
$E_{z,\text{RMS}} = 0.7324 \text{ to } 1.4286 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$ $E_{z,\text{RMS}} = 0.6679 \text{ to } 1.4286 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$		Carbon range from ring. Proton range from ring.
$D_x = 2.095 \text{ m}$	$D'_x = -0.0393$	Determined by extraction.
$D_z = 0$	$D'_z = 0$	

Twiss functions at exit (all beam exits)

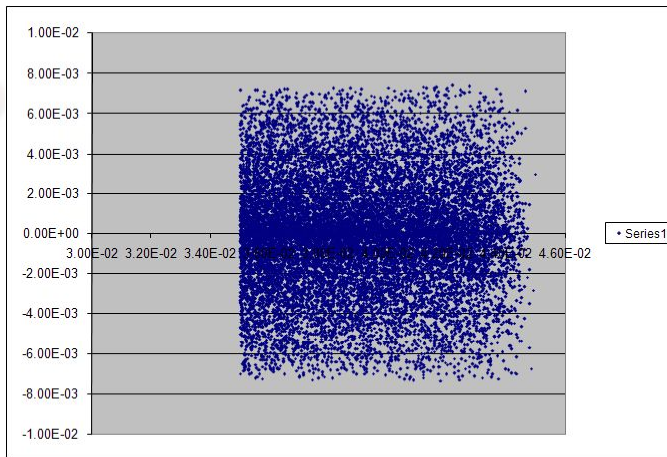
$\beta_x = 7.2 \text{ m}$	$\alpha_x = 0$	According to medical specifications and earlier choice of 'free' parameters.
$\beta_z = 2 \text{ to } 27 \text{ m}$	$\alpha_z = 0$	
$D_x = 0$	$D'_x = 0$	
$D_z = 0$	$D'_z = 0$	

Beam shape

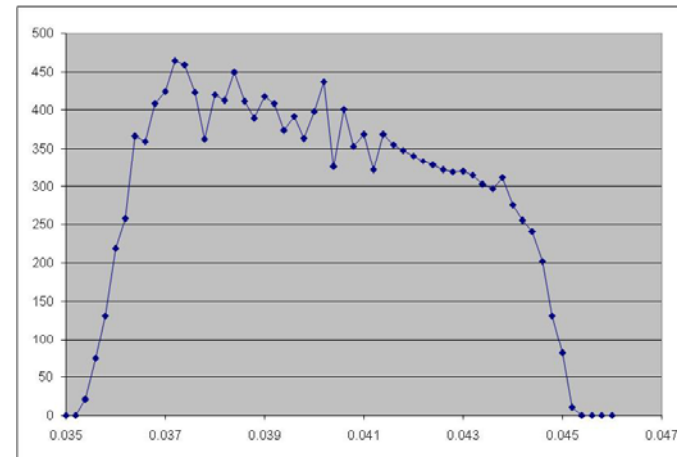


Vertical distribution: bell shape/gaussian like

Horizontal distribution: bar of charge

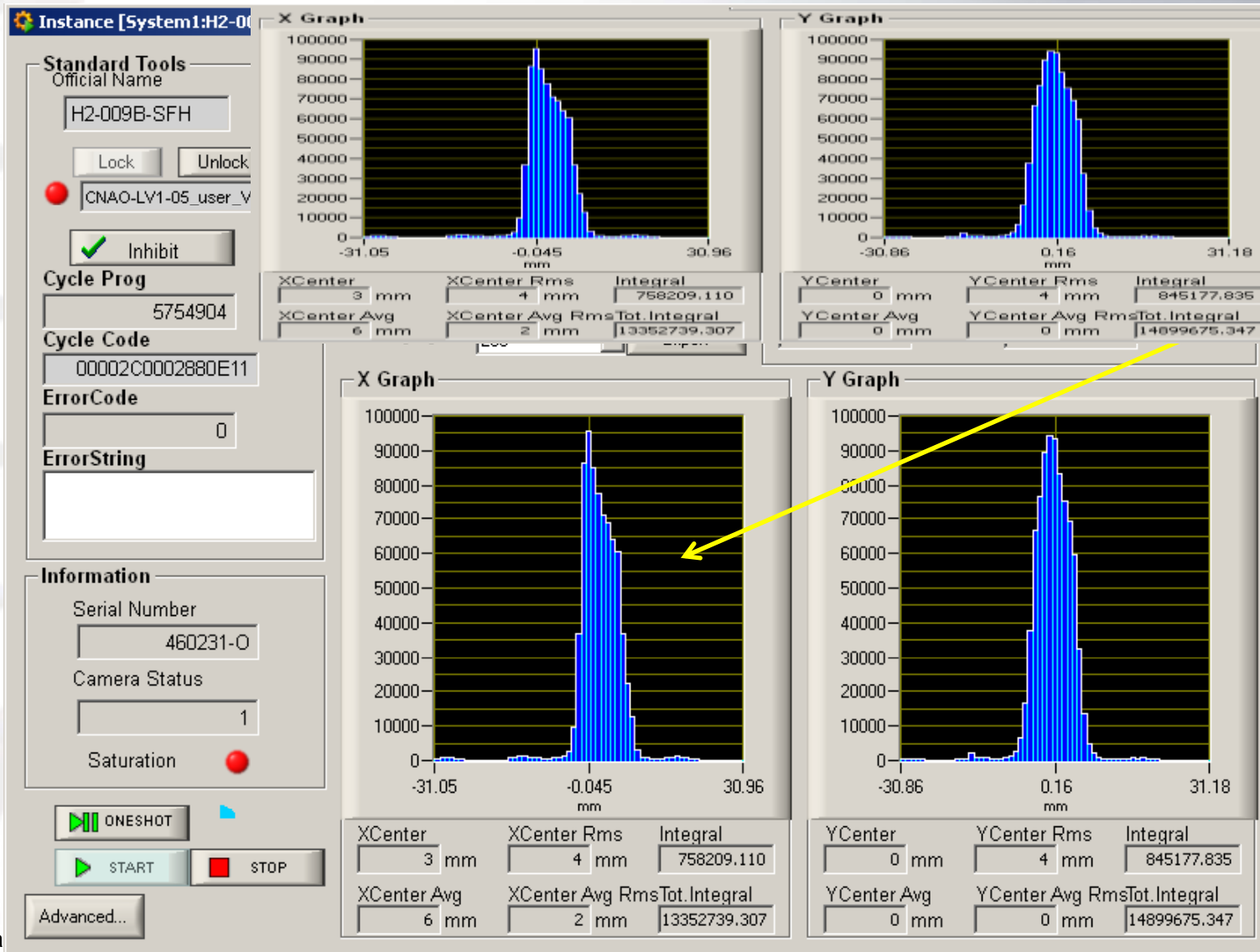


At extraction septum (x y)



In the line

Beam at HEBT entrance



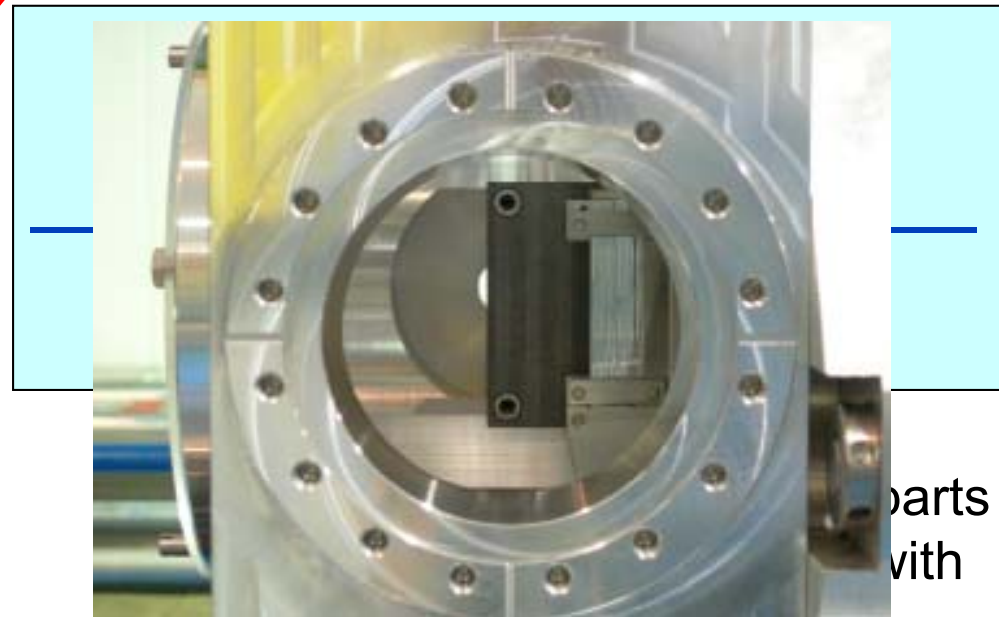
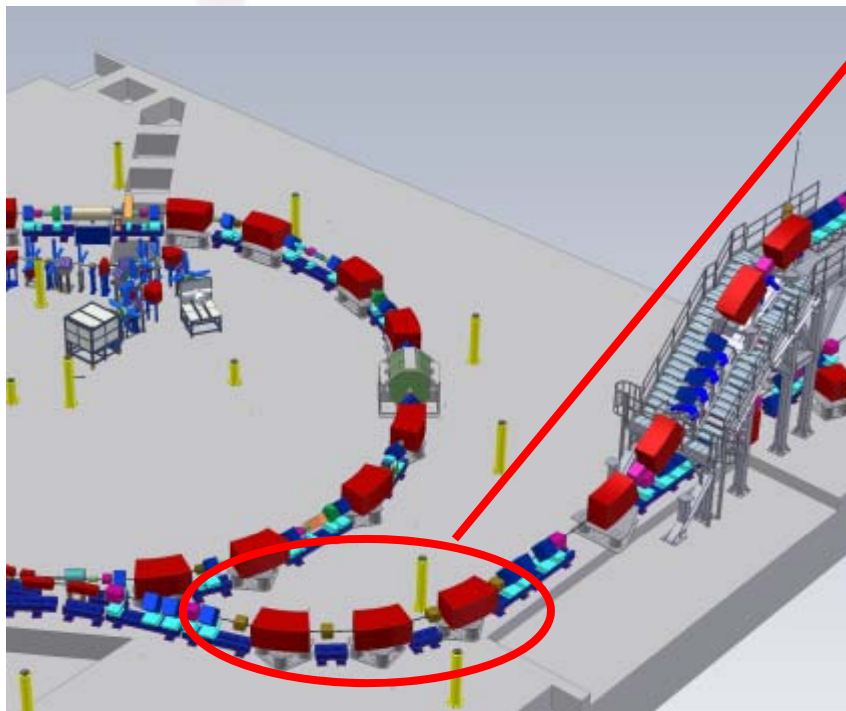
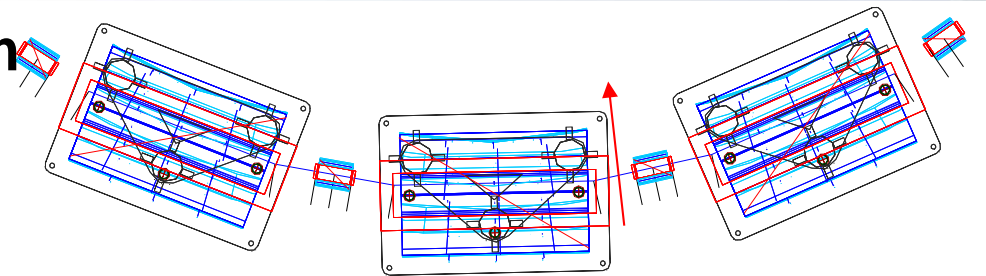
ar of charge

Chopper

Fast turn on/off for the beam

Intrinsically safe

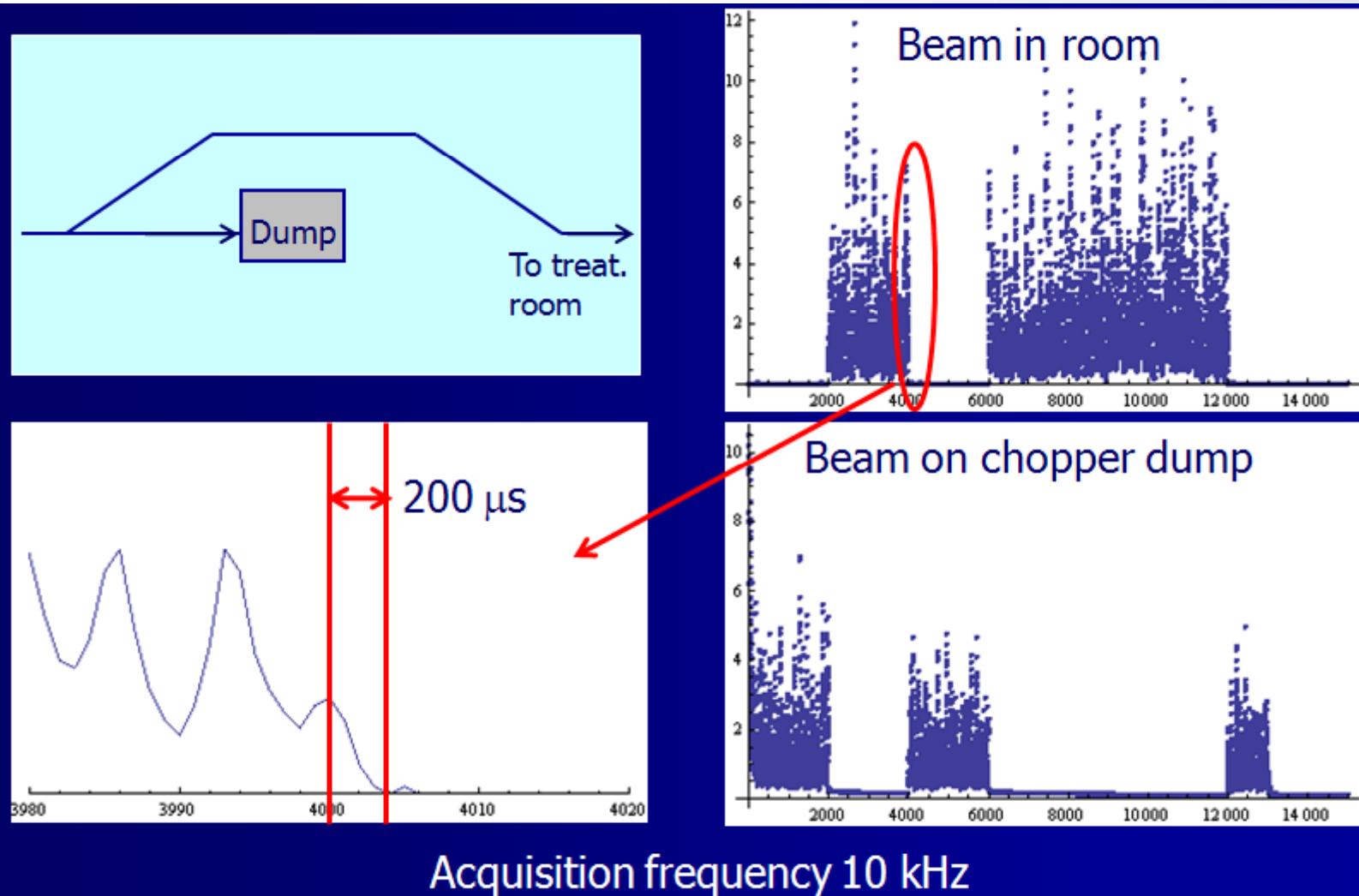
Allows beam qualification



breathing.

parts
with

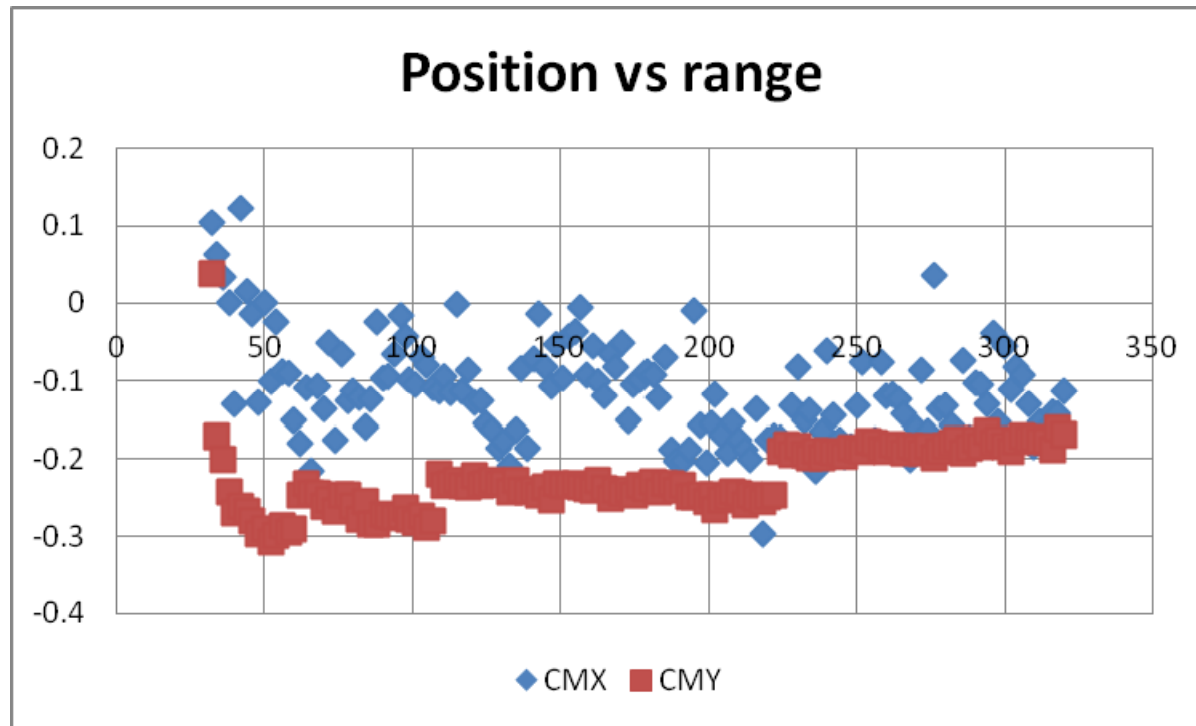
Chopped beam



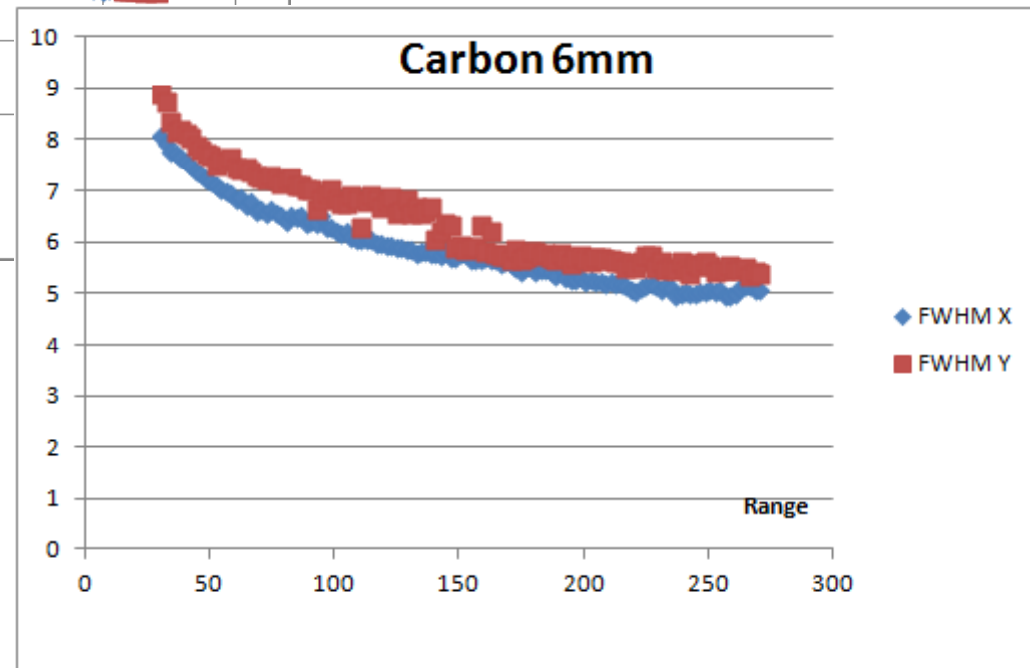
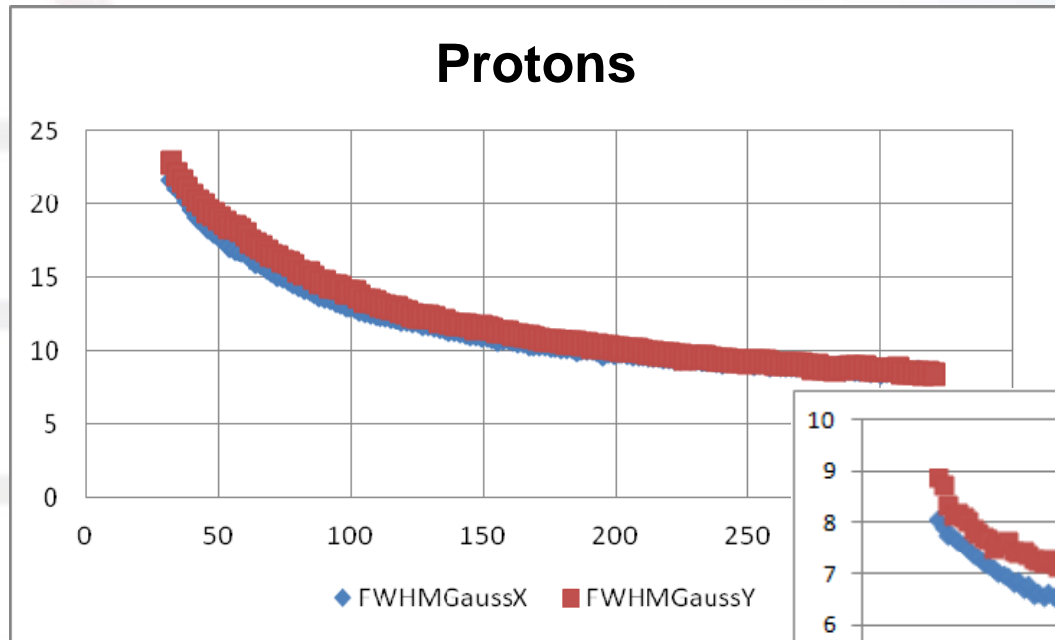
Beam position at HEBT end



Beam position repeatability (at the same energy): 0.2 mm
Beam position precision (at different energies): 0.3 mm



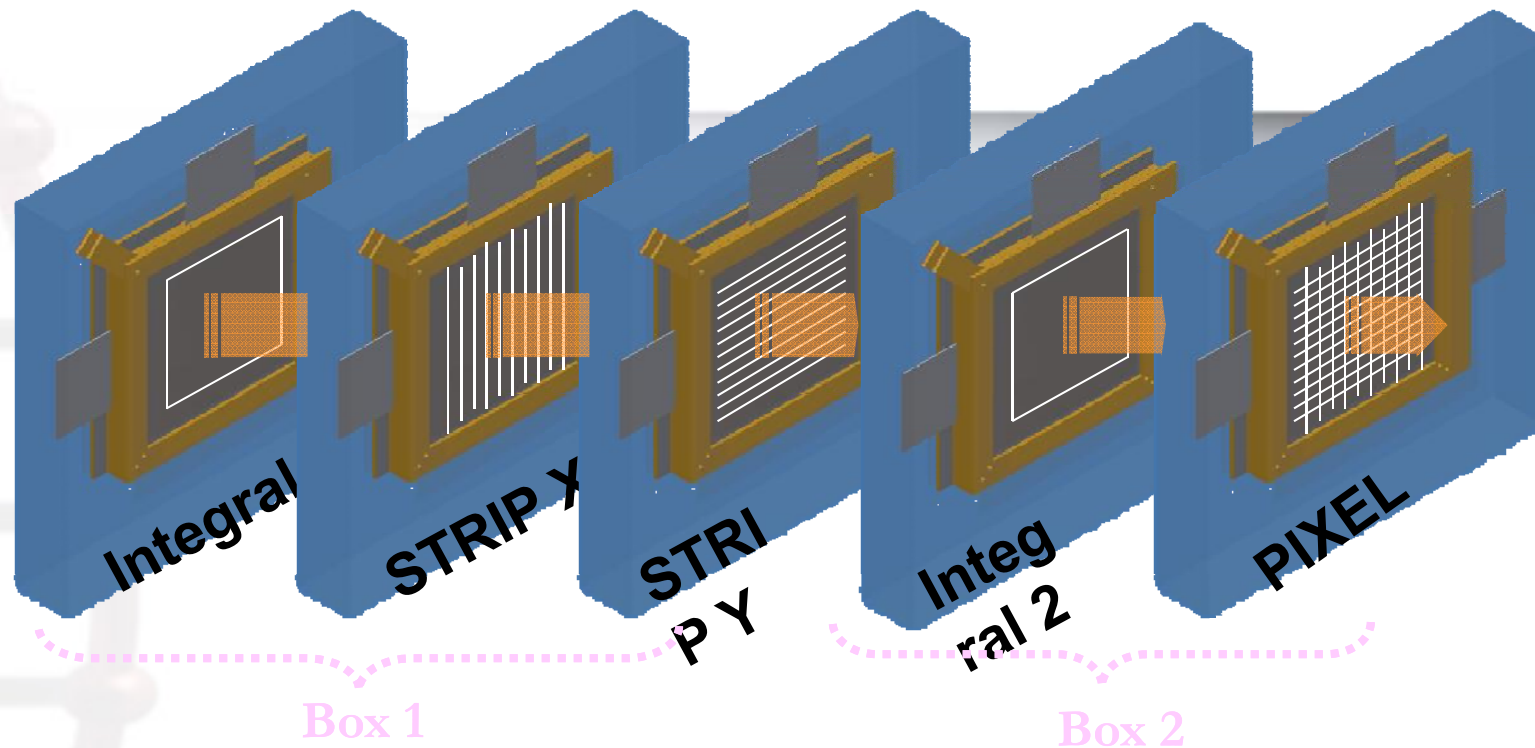
Beam size at isocenter



CNAO Beam delivery system

- More details tomorrow

Beam delivery – scanning control



1 Integral chamber:

- Beam Intensity measure every $1 \mu\text{s}$

2 Strip chambers (X and Y):

- Beam position measure every $100 \mu\text{s}$, with $100 \mu\text{m}$ of precision

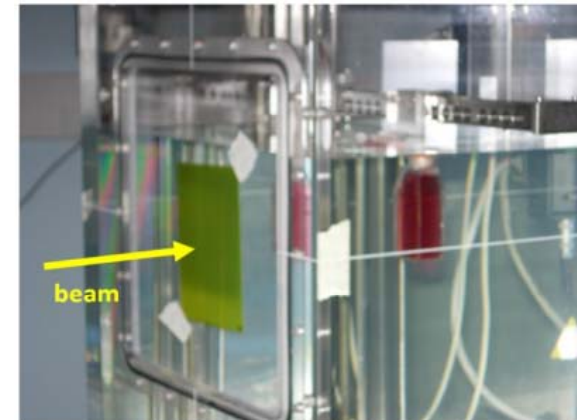
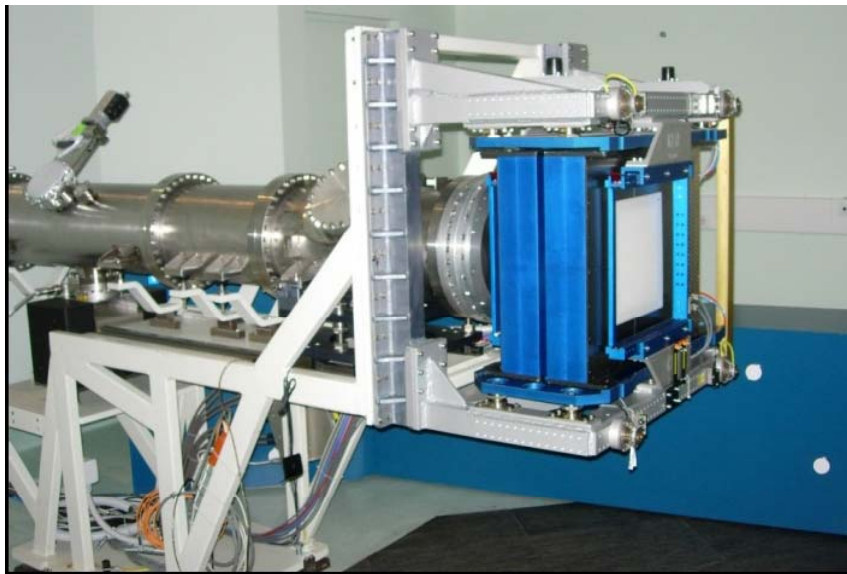
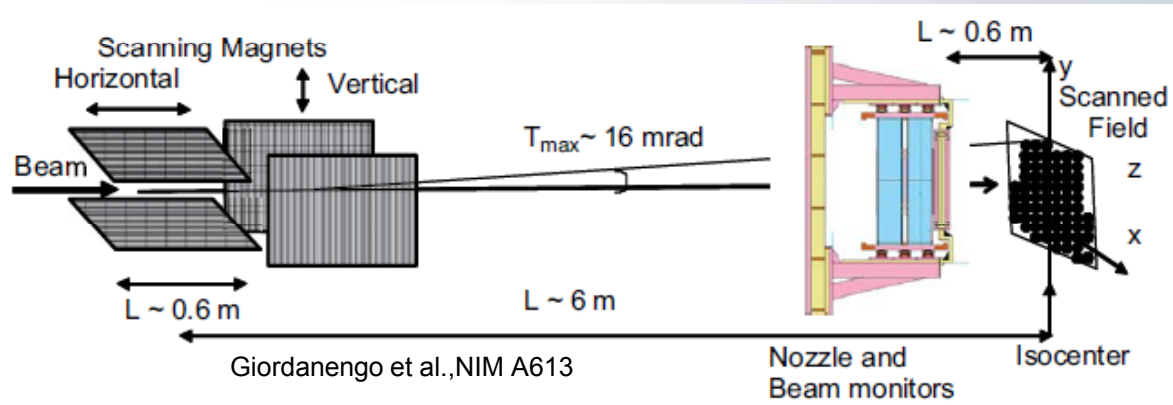
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- Beam Intensity measure every $1 \mu\text{s}$

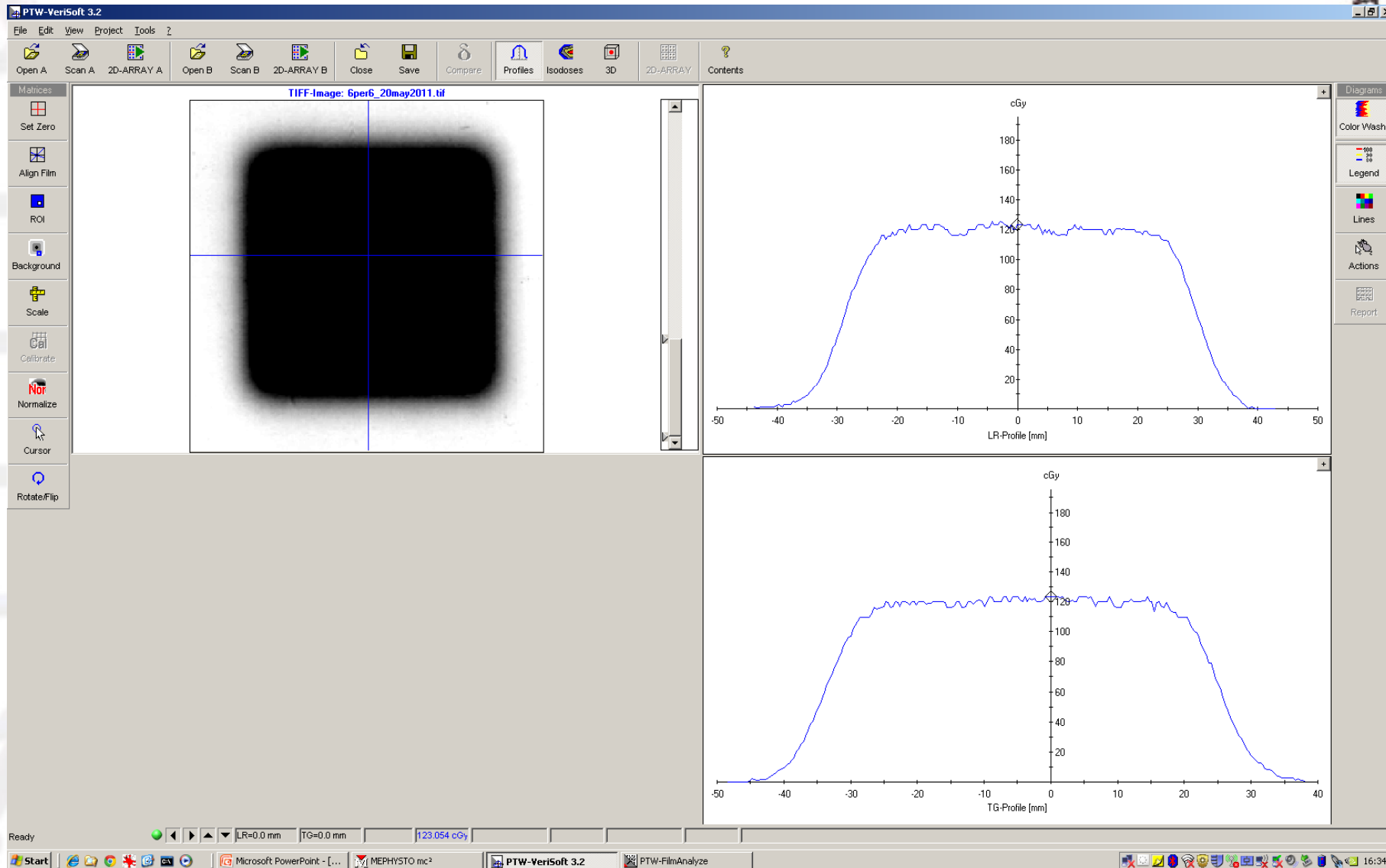
1 Pixel chamber:

- Beam position and dimension measure every $100 \mu\text{s}/1 \text{ms}$, with $200 \mu\text{m}$ of precision

Dose delivery



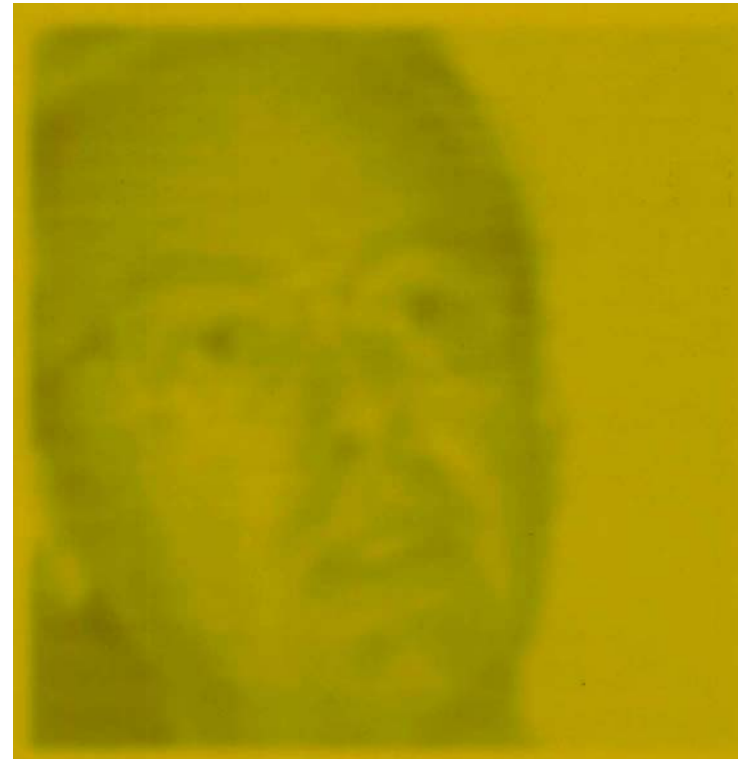
First scannings



Artistic use of the beam



Radiochromic film



Patient Positioning and Verification strategy at CNAO

Integrated robotic, X-ray and IR localization system



3D Real-time IR Optical Tracking (OTS)

- Real time reconstruction of spherical markers
- Sub-millimeter accuracy : peak 3D errors <0.5 mm
- 3D data flow @70 Hz

X-ray Patient Verification System (PVS)

- 2 X-ray tubes (deployable),
- 2 flat panels (deployable)
- Supporting structure rotation: $\pm 180^\circ$
- Rotation and deployment accuracy: ± 0.15 mm, $\pm 0.1^\circ$

Patient Positioning System (PPS)

- Automatic couch or chair docking
- Absolute accuracy: ≈ 0.3 mm

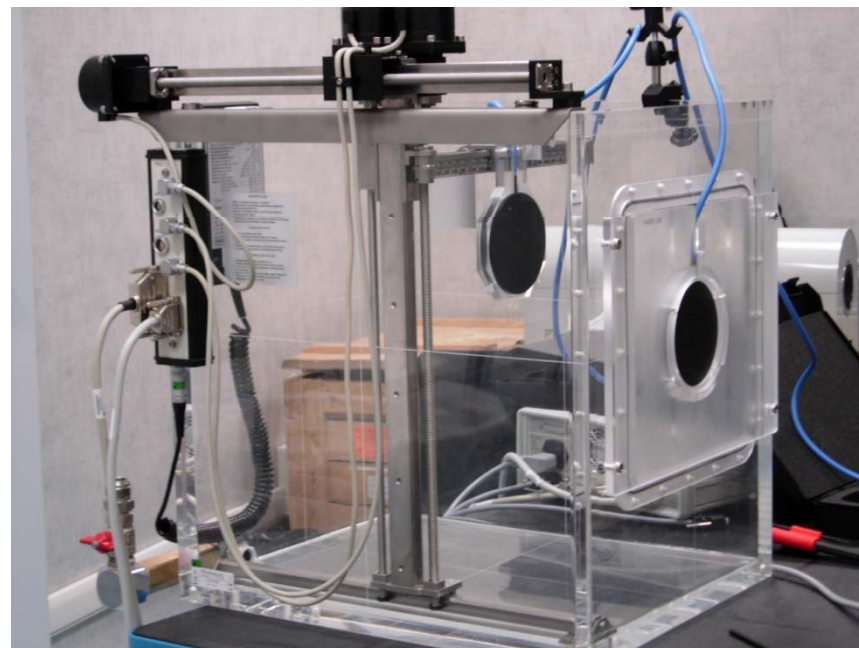
Beam measurements



Depth Dose Distributions (mono-en. pencil beams)



Peakfinder water column

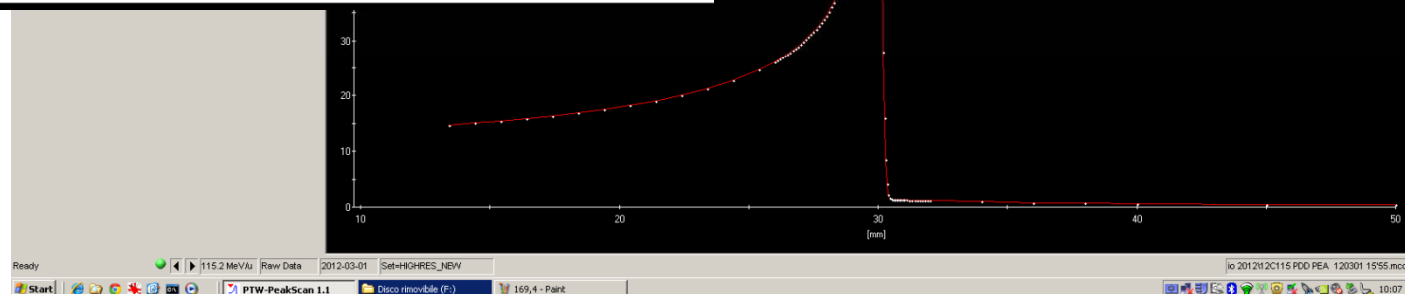
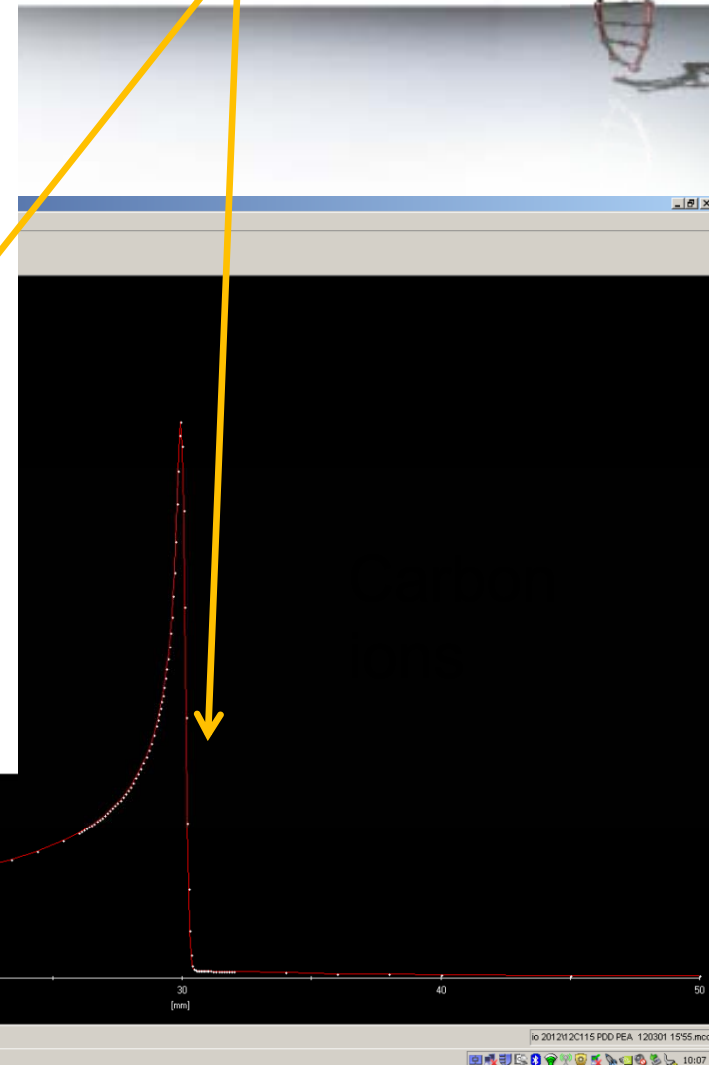
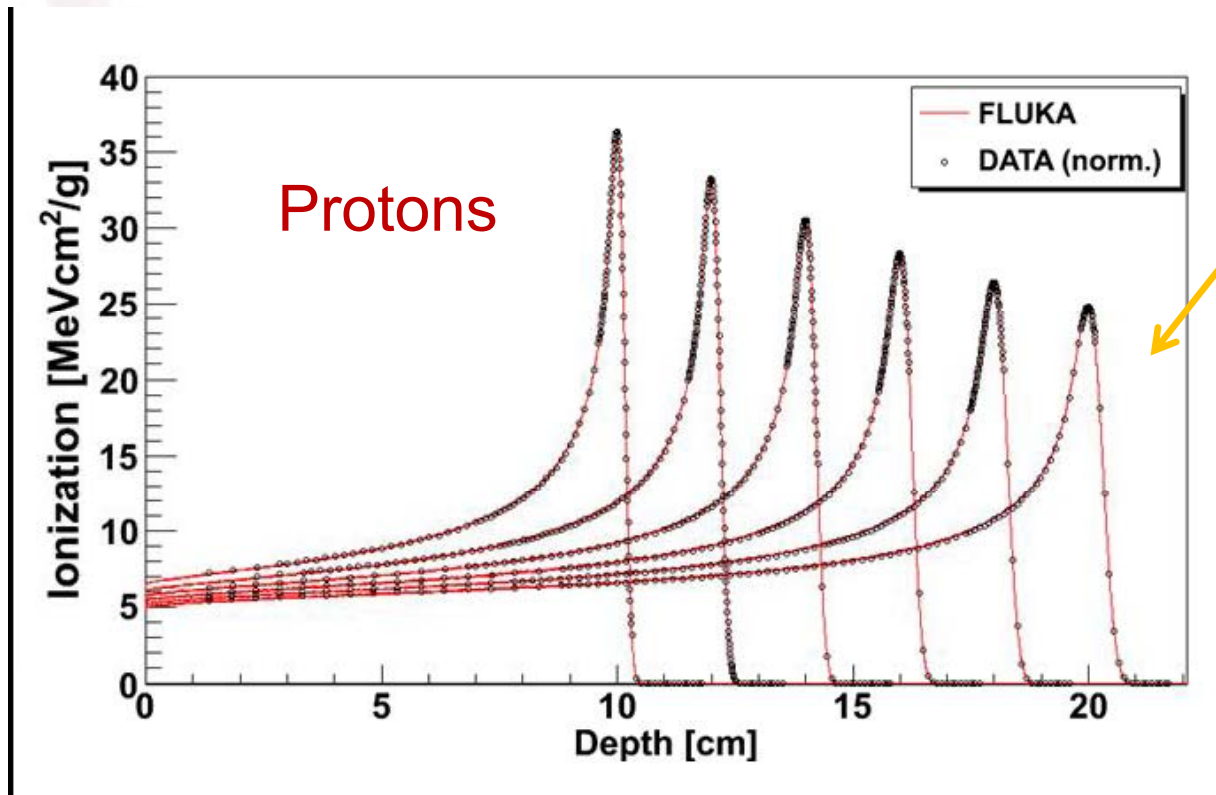


3-D motorized water ph.

Measured Bragg Peaks



Different fall-off



In vitro measurements



Mice crypt survival assay

Risultati novembre 2010



- 2 beam time sessions
- 3 points in the SOBP
- 6 dose levels, 4 mice per position

Start of medical activities



*First patient with Proton beam
(September 2011)*



*First patient with Carbon beam
(November 2012)*



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Tipo e modello: Type and model:	Acceleratore per adroterapia Accelerator for adrotherapy
Descrizione: Description:	[34469] ACCELERATORE DI PARTICELLE, RADIOTERAPIA [34469] PARTICLE ACCELERATOR, RADIOTHERAPY
Destinazione d'uso: Intended use:	trattamento con protoni di cordomi e condrosarcomi della base del cranio (protocollo CNAO_01/2011) – sale di trattamento n°1, n°2, n°3 proton radiation therapy for chordomas and chondrosarcomas of the skull base (protocol CNAO_01/2011) – treatment rooms n.1, n.2, n.3
Numero di serie: 0001/2012 Serial number:	
Fabbricante: Manufacturer:	Fondazione CNAO (Centro Nazionale Adroterapia Oncologica) Sede Legale: Via Caminadella,16 – 20133 Milano Sede Operativa: Strada Campeggi, 53 – 27100 Pavia

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Il Direttore del Dipartimento Tecnologie e Salute F.F.
The Acting Director of Department Technology and Health
(Ing. Pietro Bartolini)

Marcatatura CE !!!



9 Luglio 2013

**Marcatatura CE primo protocollo clinico
Cordomi e condrosarcomi base cranica
con protoni**

**A settembre dati per sarcomi
base cranio e tronco
con ioni carbonio**

Protocollo	Descrizione Protocollo	Protoni o Ioni Carbonio	Frazioni	N° previsto da protocollo	Mancanti per certificazione protocollo	Trattato	In trattamento	TOTALE	
CNAO 01/2011 V.2.0	Trattamento con protoni (adroterapia) di cordomi e condrosarcomi della base del cranio	Protoni	35-37	30	0	30	0	30	
CNAO 02/2011 V.1.0	Radioterapia mediante protoni (adroterapia) dei cordomi e dei condrosarcomi del rachide	Protoni	35-37	20	7	12	1	13	
CNAO 03/2011 V.2.0	Radioterapia mediante protoni (adroterapia) dei meningiomi intracranici	Protoni	30-33	30	29	1	0	1	
CNAO S4/2011/P	Radioterapia mediante protoni (adroterapia) dei tumori dell'encefalo	Protoni	22-30	40	40	0	0	0	
CNAO 05/2011 V.1.0	Radioterapia mediante protoni (adroterapia) delle recidive di neoplasie del distretto cervico-cefalico	Protoni	n.a. (1)	40	39	1	0	1	
CNAO 06/2011 V.2.0	Boost di Radioterapia mediante protoni (adroterapia) di neoplasie localmente avanzate del distretto cervico-cefalico	Protoni	8-15	20	12	8	0	8	
CNAO S7/2012/P	Radioterapia mediante protoni (adroterapia) dei glioblastomi	Protoni	37	20	20	0	0	0	
CNAO S8/2012/P	Rittrattamento mediante radioterapia con protoni (adroterapia) dei cordomi e dei condrosarcomi						1	2	
CNAO S9/2012/C	Radioterapia mediante ioni carbonio (adroterapia) dell'adenocarcinoma cistico delle ghiandole						0	7	
CNAO S10/2012/C	Rittrattamento mediante radioterapia (adroterapia) degli adenomi pituitari						0	2	
CNAO S11/2012/C	Reirradiation of recurrent rectal cancer						0	0	
CNAO S12/2012/C	Sarcomi (ossei e dei tessuti molli)						2	15	
CNAO S13/2012/C	Sarcomi (ossei e dei tessuti molli)						3	12	
CNAO S14/2012/C	Recidive di neoplasie del distretto cervico-cefalico						2	7	
CNAO S15/2012/C	Melanomi maligni delle mucose						0	2	
CNAO S16/2012/C	Carcinoma della prostata ad alto rischio						1	1	
CNAO S17/2012/C	Tumori primitivi e secondari del sistema nervoso centrale						0	0	
CNAO S18/2013/C	Tumori del pancreas	Ioni Carbonio	12	15	15	0	0	0	
CNAO S19/2013/C	Neoplasie primitive maligne del fegato	Ioni Carbonio	12	15	15	0	0	0	
Pazienti in sperimentazione						91	10	101	
Pazienti arruolabili per sperimentazione								29	
Pazienti in valutazione								16	
Mar	Pazienti compassionevoli trattati								14

Treated patients: 115 (62p – 53C)

Waiting patients: 45

Protocol CNAO 01 certified

Protocol CNAO S12 completed

[beginning of July 2013]

Future and R&D

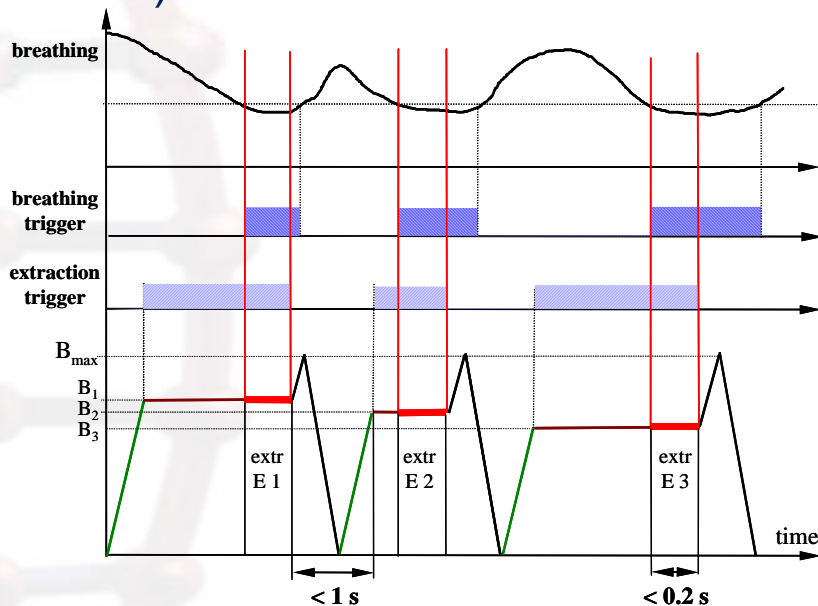


Future developments

- Coping with tumor motion

On-line imaging

“Minimal” choice: breathing synchronisation
(already applied in Chiba and HIT, planned at CNAO)



Interesting also for IMRT: lots of efforts and devices

(Review in Riboldi et al, Lancet Oncology 2012)
Marco Pullia – XCIX Congresso SIF – Trieste, 23-27 Settembre 2013

External surrogates with correlation models

X-rays

Ultrasound, MRI

Particle radiography

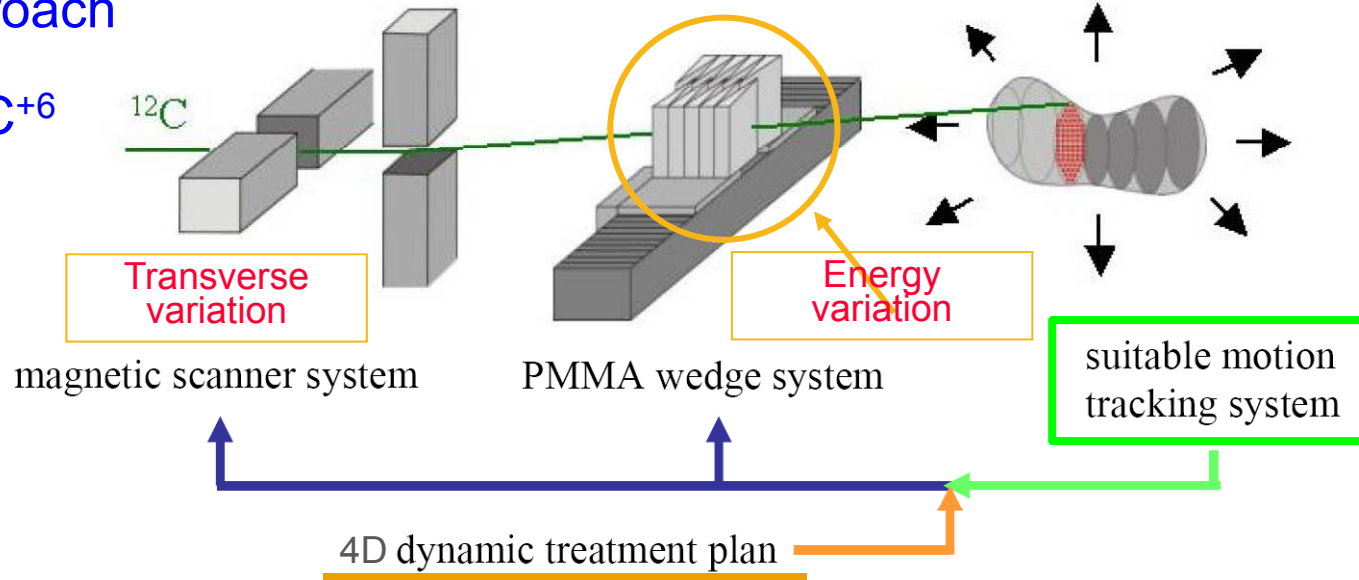


(Courtesy of Medical Intelligence)

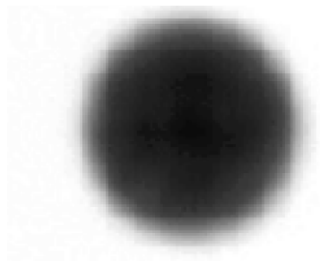
Tumour tracking

GSI approach

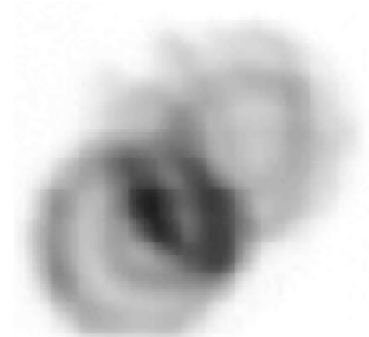
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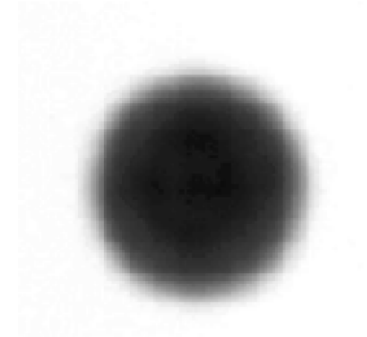
Sven O. Grözinger, GSI Darmstadt



static



moving,
non-compensated

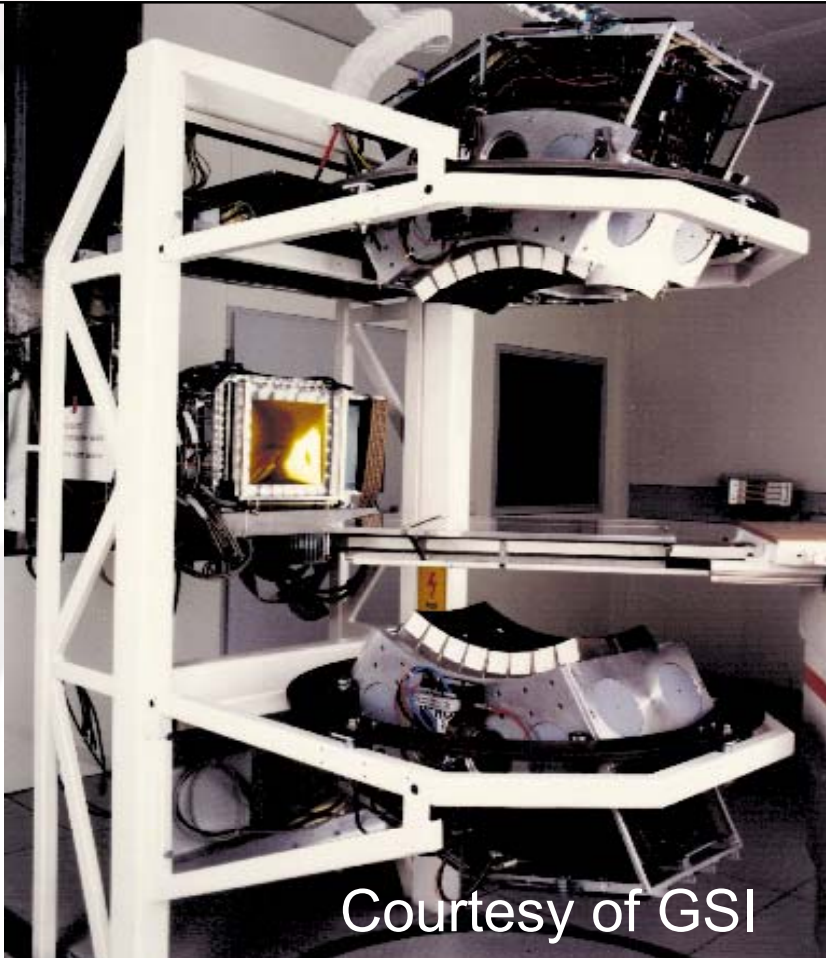
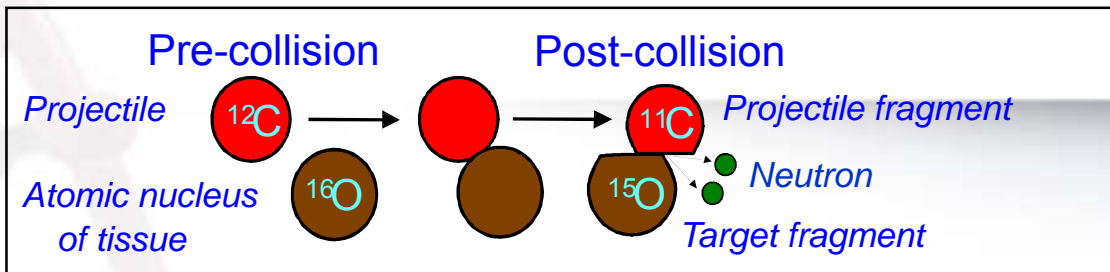


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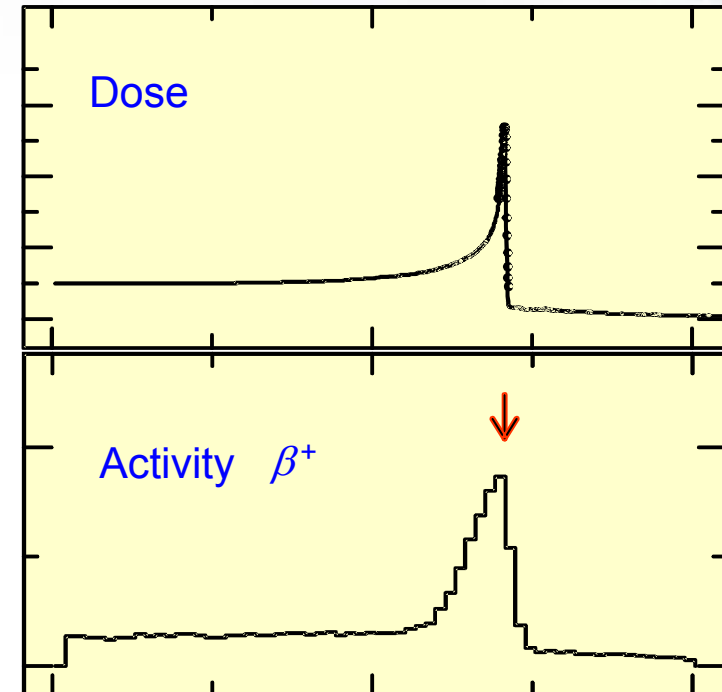
Future developments

- Real time dose visualization

Dose visualisation: "in beam PET"



Courtesy of GSI



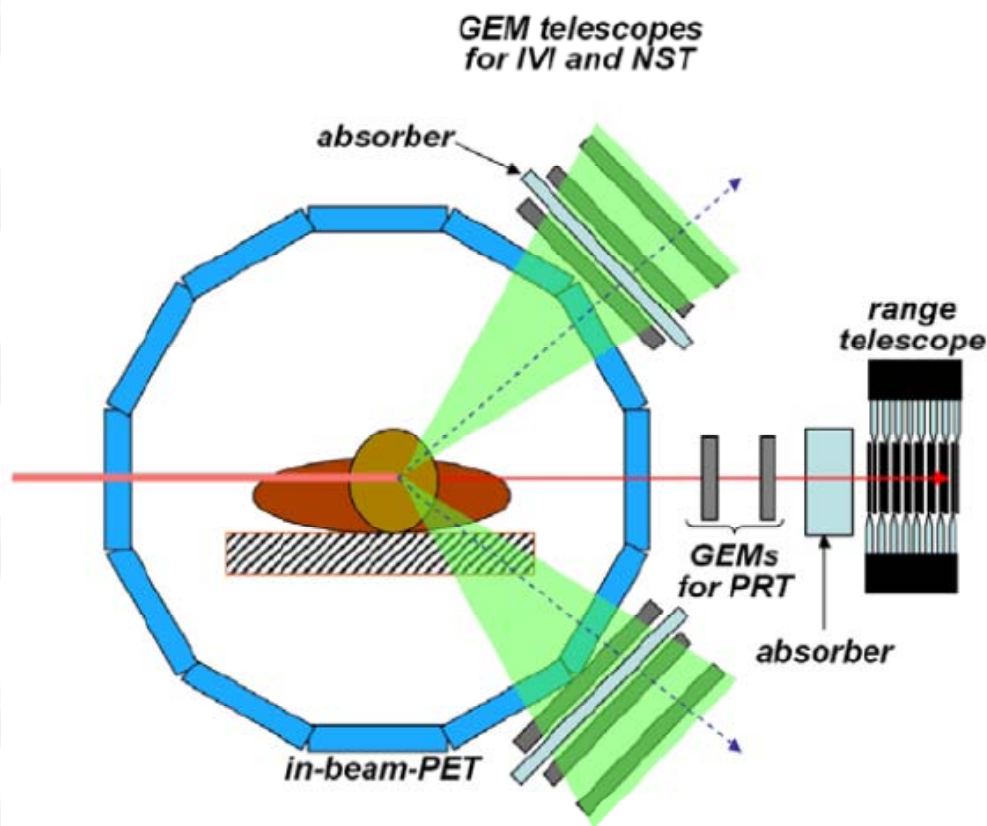
ISSUES: low statistics;
blood flow dilution;
off-line PET → logistics

Secondaries emission and reconstruction



Proton Range Radiography (PRR)

Electronic telescope for the measure of position and residual range of protons; it gives the density map of the traversed volumes; it permits to check in real time the treatment planning assumptions on position and dimensions of the traversed tissues and organs.



Nuclear Scattering Tomography (NST)

Three-dimensional map of the tissues densities obtained by vertex reconstruction of high energy protons interactions (> 600 MeV).

Interaction Vertex Imaging (IVI)

Density of interaction vertex reconstruction gives information on the Bragg peak position.

(U. Amaldi et al.)

PROMPT radiation (Gamma) - Enlight

Future developments

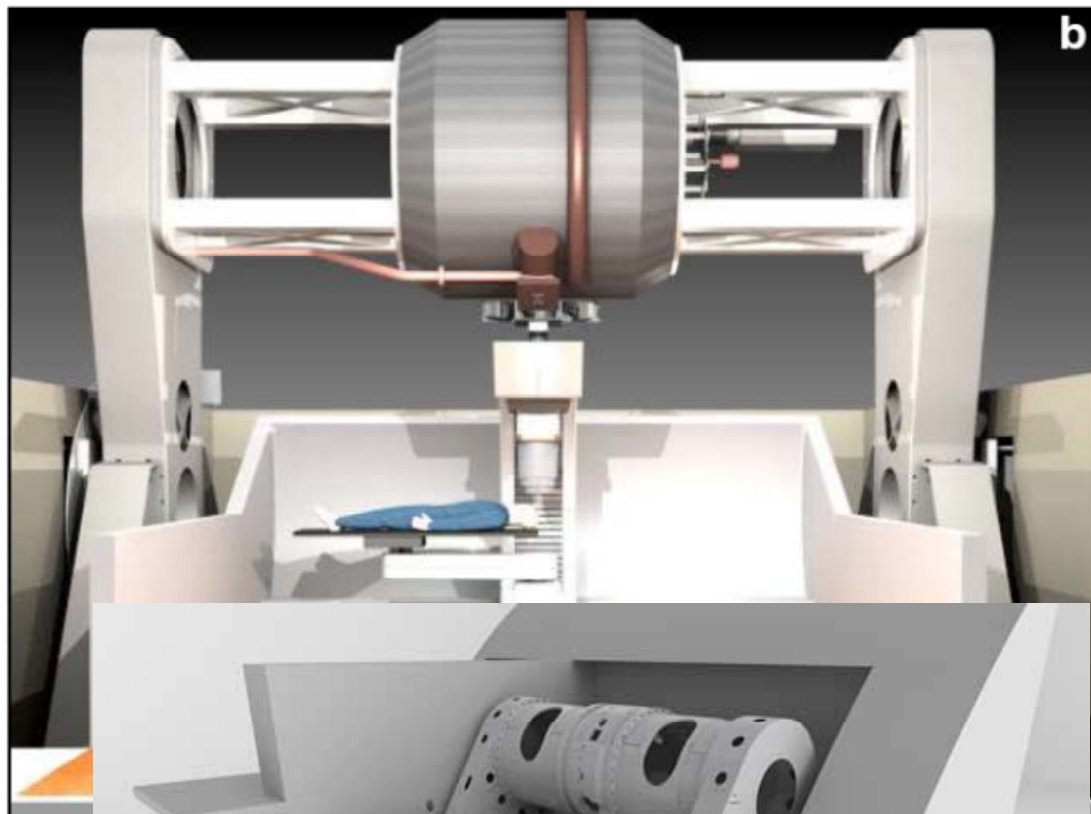


- Treatment Planning System (TPS) improvement
 - Radiobiology measurement and models
 - Speed up calculation (adaptive treatment)
 - Self contouring
 - Real time imaging and calculation
- Improve density measurement in imaging
- Biomarkers

Future developments



- Proton centers are already commercial products (tens worldwide); Carbon ion centers not yet really (only 7 worldwide).
- Cost reduction for treatment diffusion
- Single room facilities
- Next generation of accelerators
- Carbon Ion Gantries



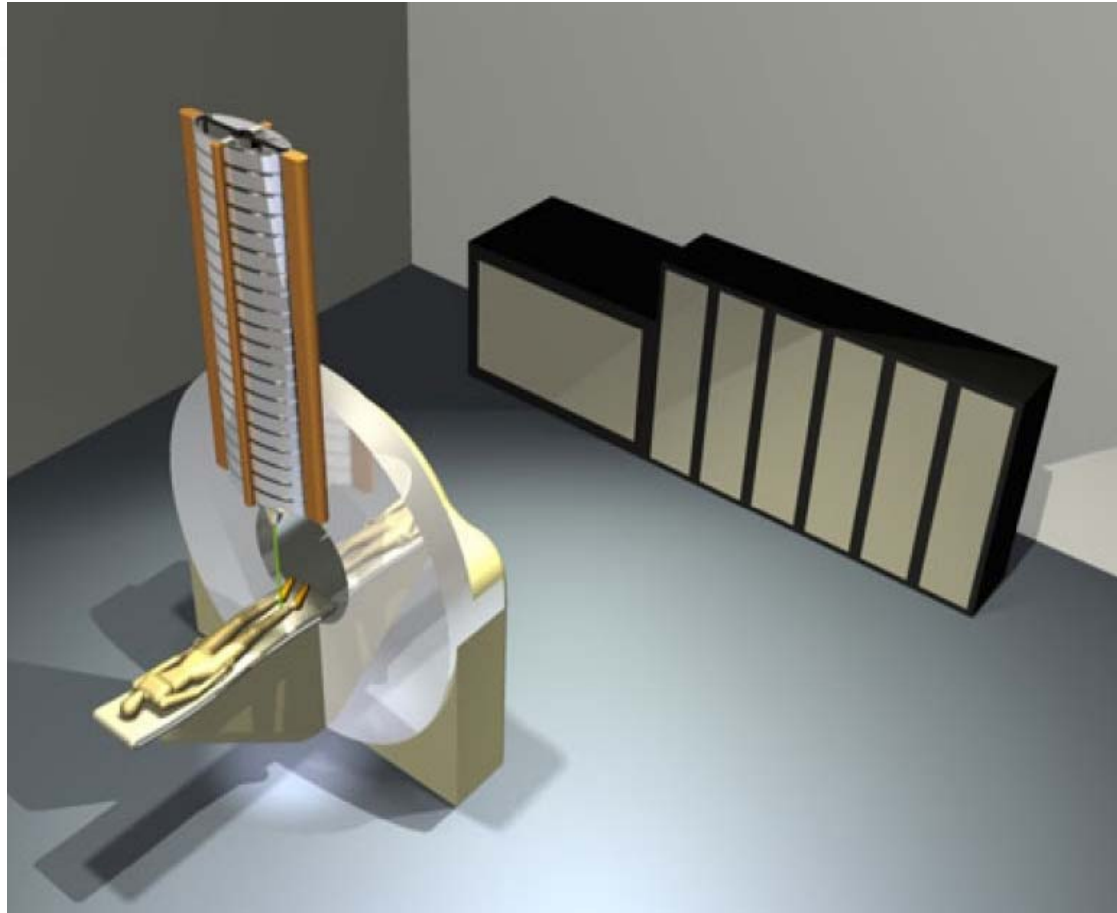
MEVION S250

Superconducting SC
Diameter 1.8 m



22 Settembre 2013 inizio commissioning
S. Lee Kling Center for Proton Therapy
at the Siteman Cancer

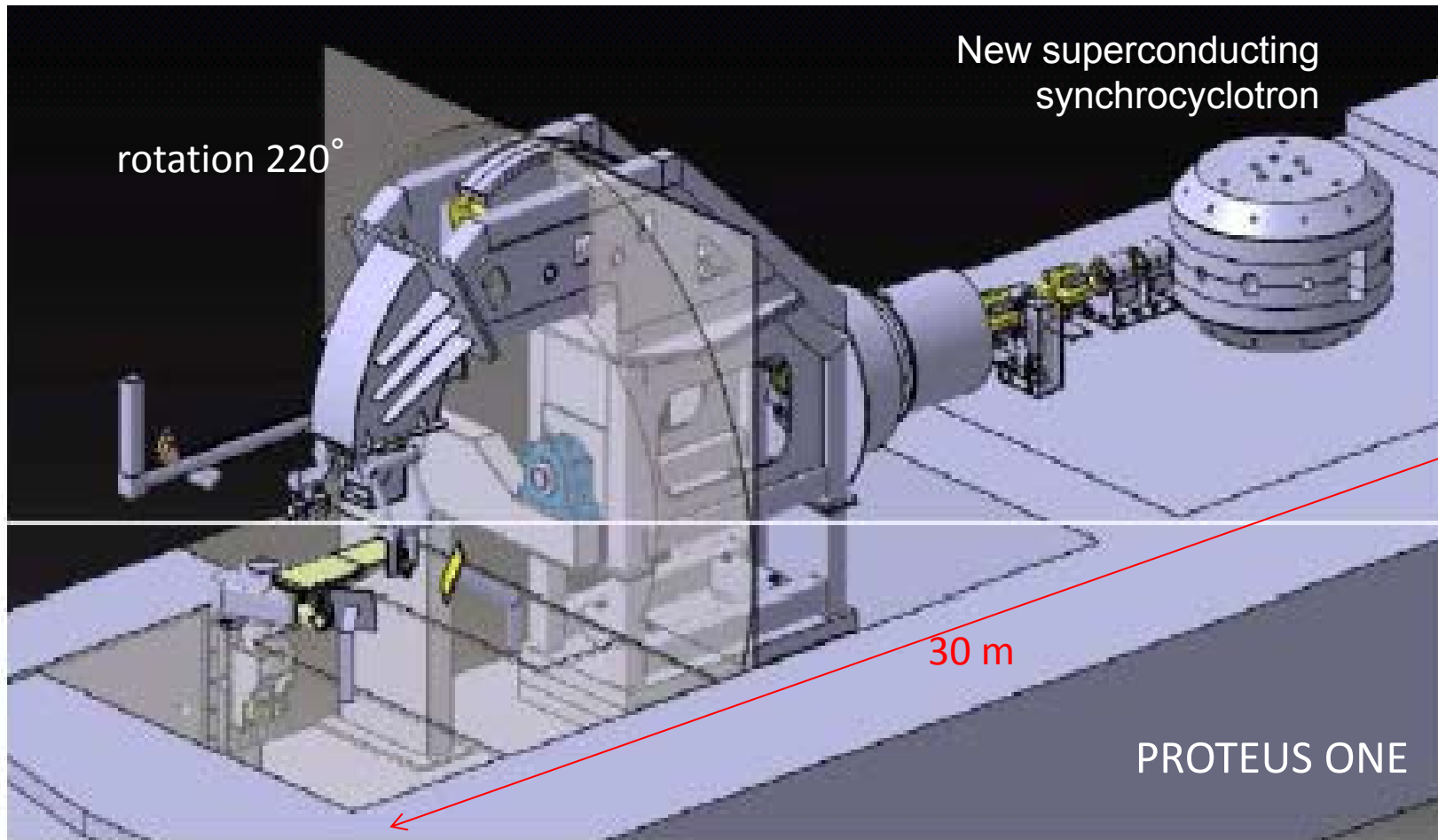
Dielectric Wall Accelerator (DWA)



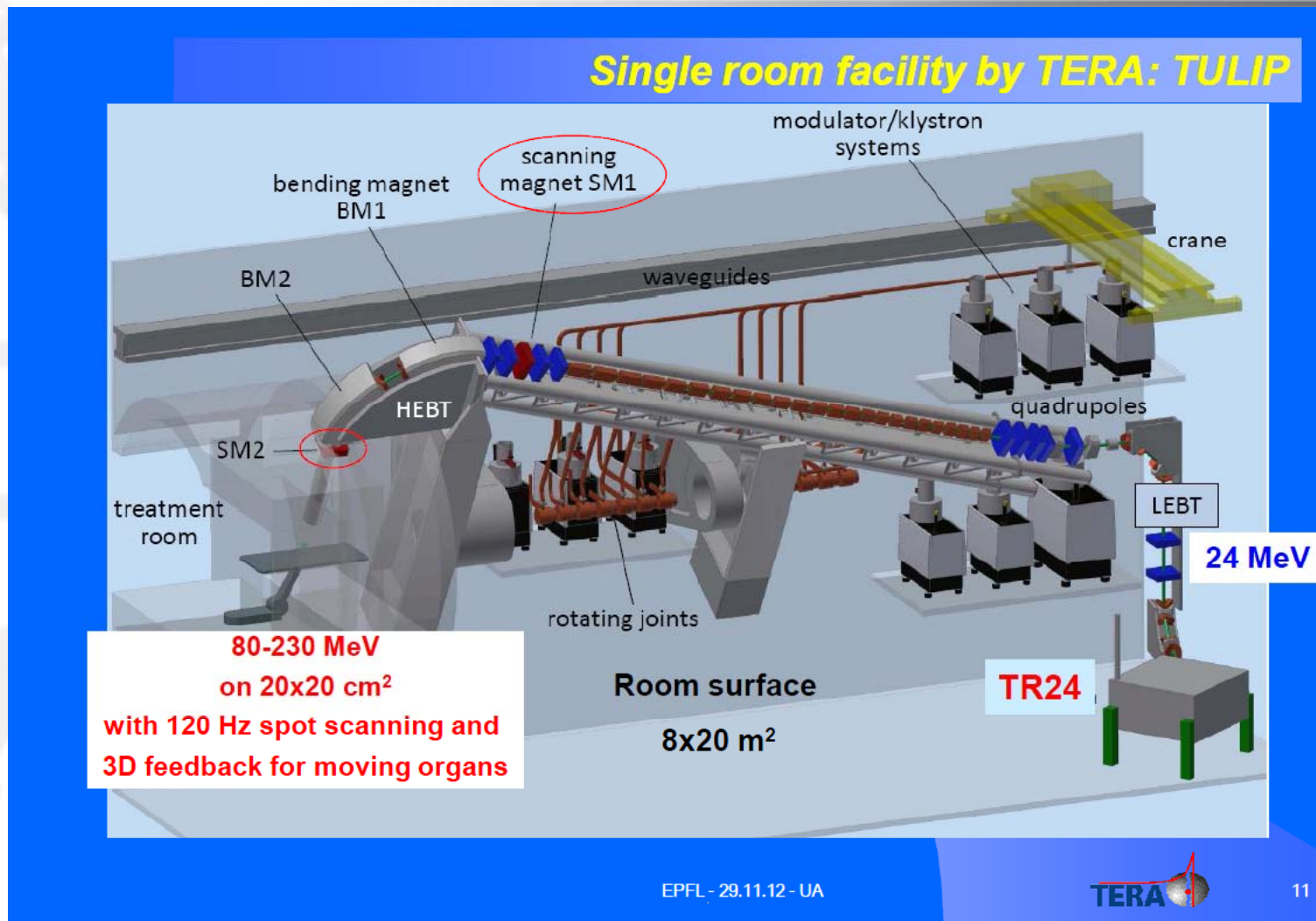
Pulsed High-Voltage accelerators (G. Caporaso et al)
built in collaboration with Tomotherapy – Madison (T. Mackie)

Far into the future

Single room facility by IBA



TULIP

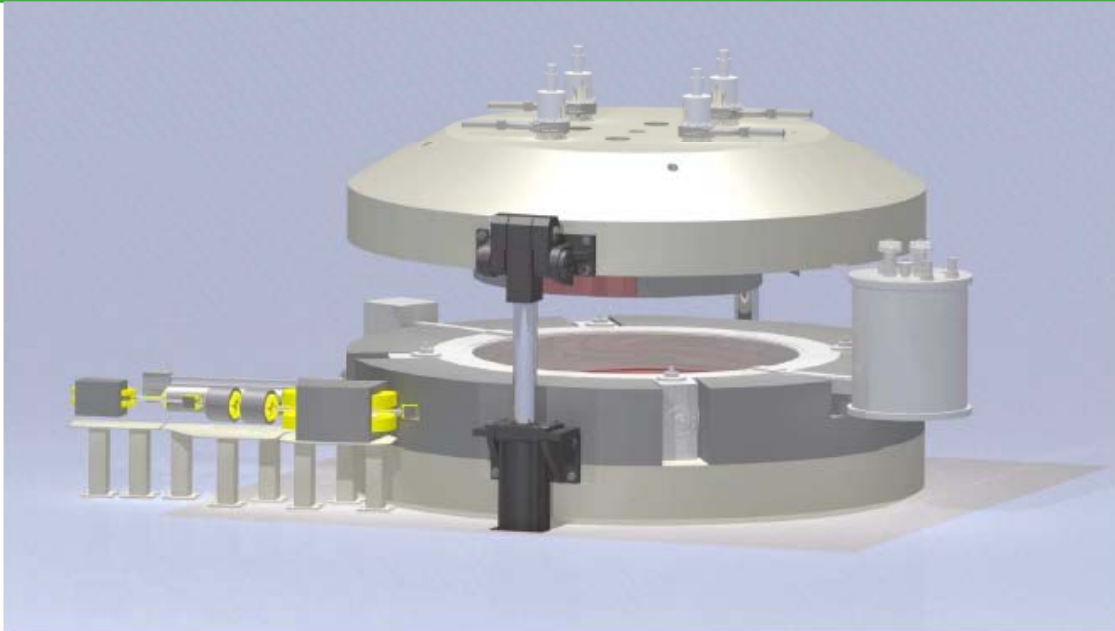


(Courtesy of U. Amaldi)

The only ion therapy cyclotron

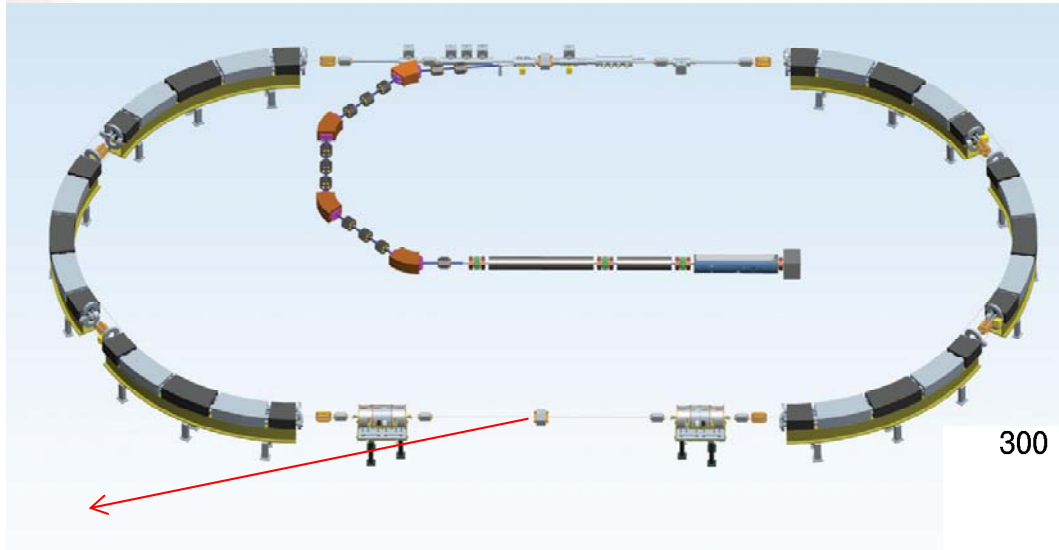


The IBA C400 cyclotron



- Superconducting isochronous cyclotron, accelerating $Q/M = 1/2$ ions up to 400 MeV/u (H²⁺ + up to 250 MeV/u, Alphas, Li^{6 3+}, B^{10 5+}, C^{12 6+}, N^{14 7+}, O^{16 8+}, Ne^{20 10+})
- **Design very similar to IBA PT cyclotron**, but with higher magnetic field thanks to superconducting coils, and increased diameter (6.3 m vs. 4.7 m)

Rapid cycling synchrotron (first publication 1999's, S. Peggs et al.)



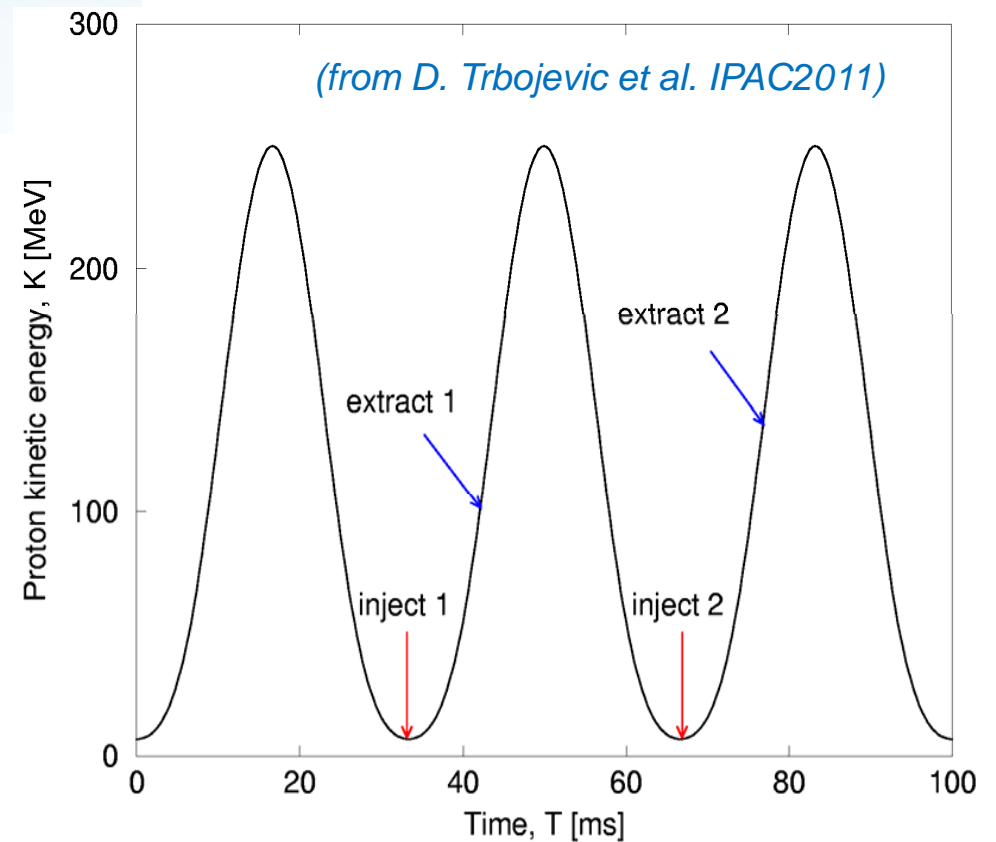
Injection linac at 8 MeV/u

Racetrack, FODO in the arcs, $D=0$ ss

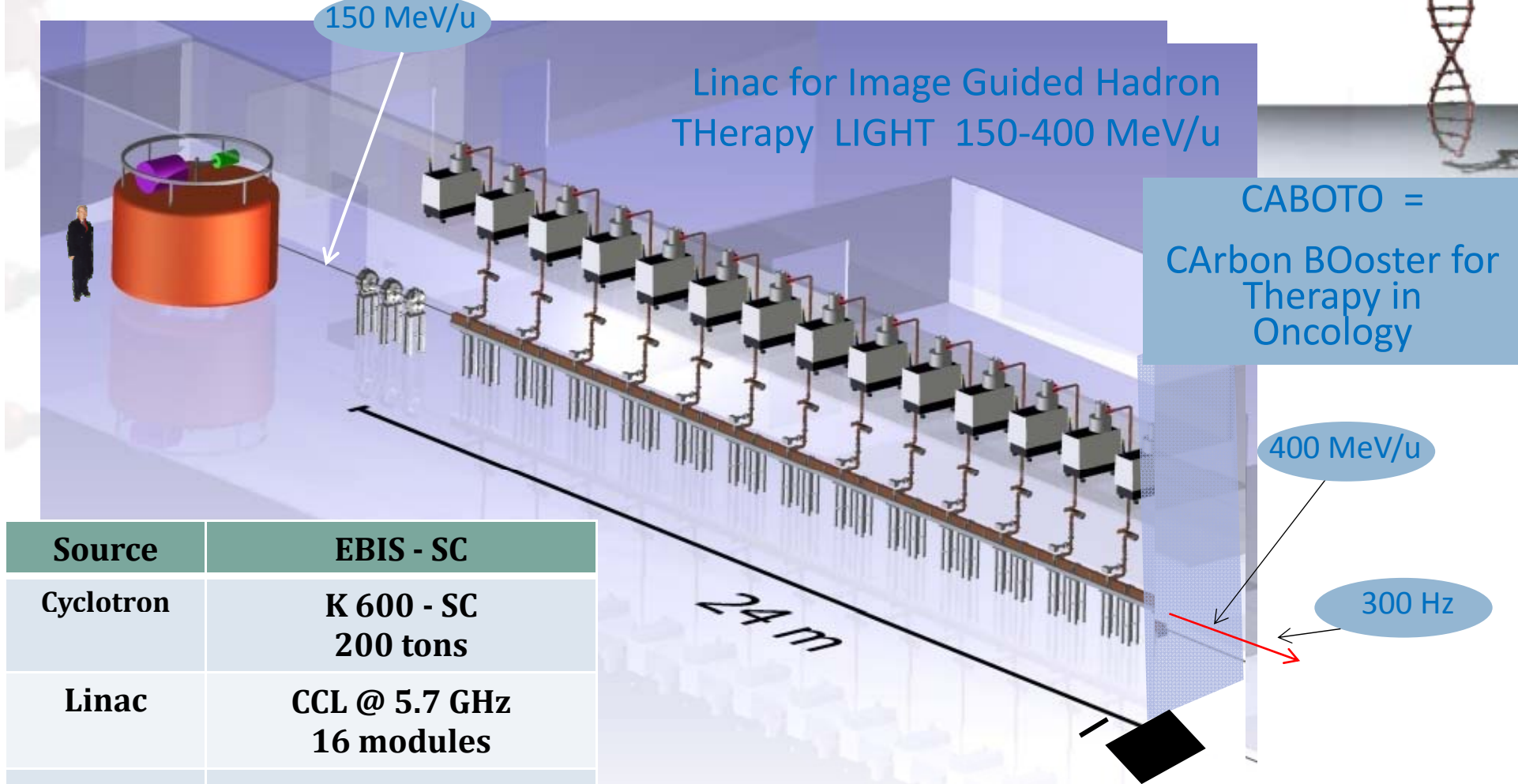
Fast inj+extr, $C = 60$ m

30 Hz repetition rate (repainting?)

Fast energy change



TERA cyclinac for C-ions



Source	EBIS - SC
Cyclotron	K 600 - SC 200 tons
Linac	CCL @ 5.7 GHz 16 modules
RF power system	16 Klystrons ($P_{\text{peak}} = 12 \text{ MW}$)

Energy is adjusted in 2 ms in the full range by changing the power pulses sent to the accelerating modules

Charge in the spot is adjusted every 2 ms with the computer controlled source

Laser + linac

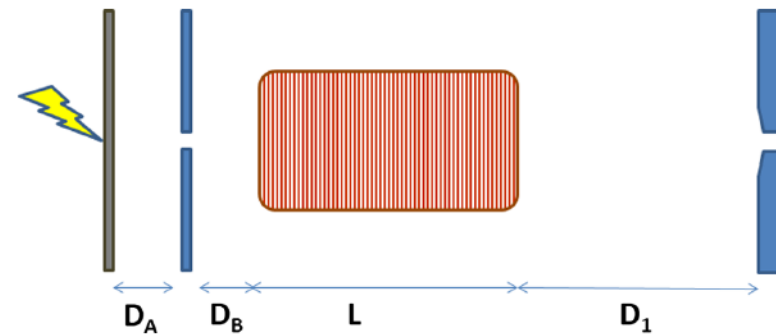
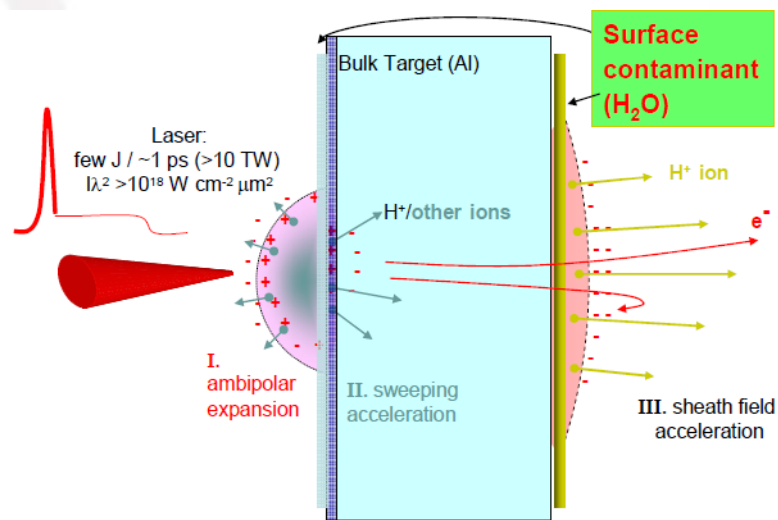


FIG. 4. Schematic drawing of the transport line: $D_A = D_B = 10 \text{ mm}$, $D_1 = 510 \text{ mm}$, $L = 300 \text{ mm}$, first iris radius = 0.5 mm, second iris radius = 0.5 mm, second iris minimum thickness = 5 mm.

$5 \cdot 10^6 \text{ p at } 60 \text{ MeV @ } 10 \text{ Hz}$

Fuchs, Antici et Al, Proc HB2006 Review of proton beams 2006

Rossi F., Londrillo P., Sinigardi S., Turchetti G., Giove D., De Martinis C.; questa conferenza et PRSTAB 16, 031301 (2013)

FFAG



A Fixed Field Alternating Gradient Accelerator is ~ a cyclotron with strong synchrotron-like focusing

- The ns-FFAG combines all forms of transverse beam (envelope) confinement in an arbitrary, optimized magnet field:
 - For the horizontal, the three terms are

$$1/f_F = \underbrace{k_F l}_{\text{synchrotron}} + \underbrace{\frac{\mathcal{G}}{\rho_F} + \frac{\eta}{\rho_F}}_{\text{cyclotron}}$$

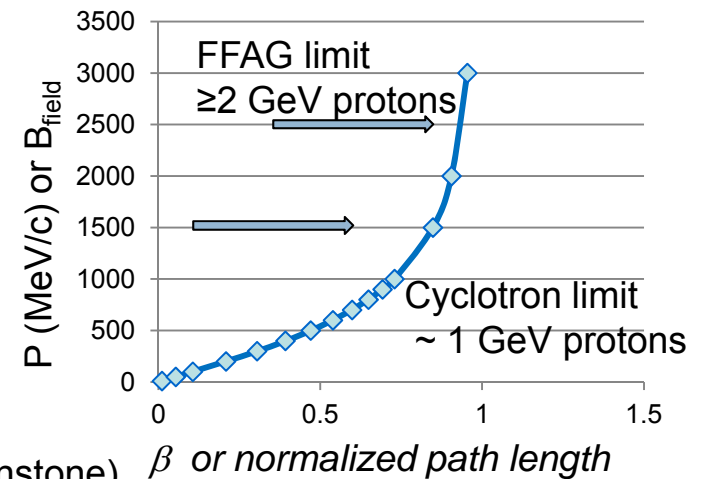
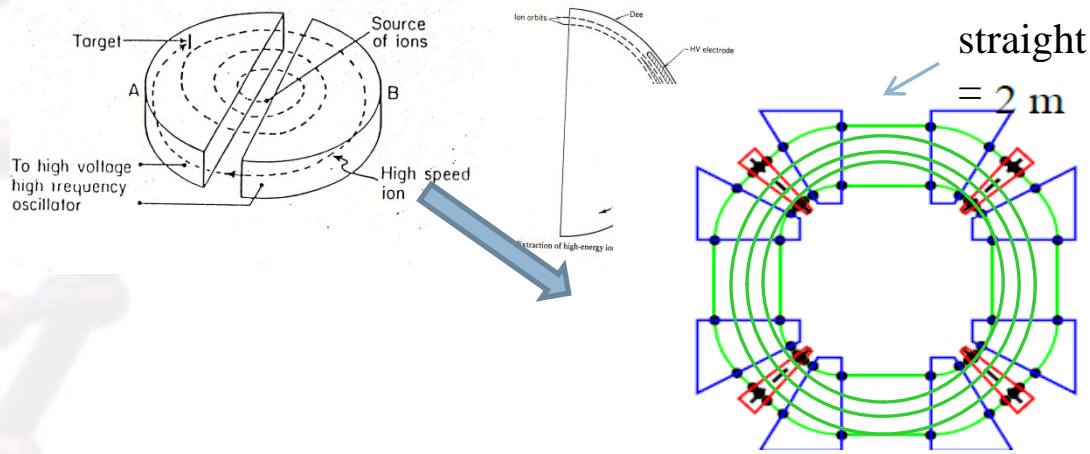
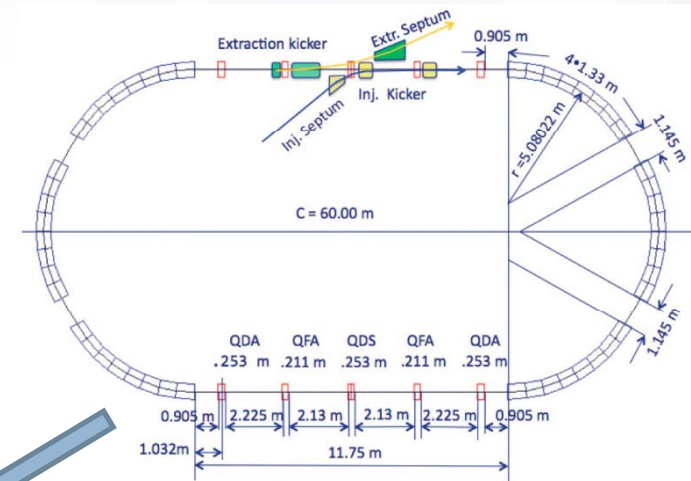
with \mathcal{G} is the sector bend angle, η the edge angle (edge angle is assume small so tangent is approximated), length, l , is the F half - magnet length and k_F is the "local" gradient for an arbitrary order field.

- *The power of the FFAG is that the confinement terms can be varied independently to optimize machine parameters such as footprint, aperture, and tune in a FFAG AND DC beam can be supported to very high energies*

Understanding a ns-FFAG



- Apply a “synchrotron” strong-focusing field profile to each “cyclotron” orbit
- Strong-focusing allows
 - Long injection/extraction or synchrotron-like straights
 - Strong RF acceleration modules
 - Low -loss profile of the synchrotron
 - DC beam to high energies in compact structure
 - 400 MeV/nucleon: charge to mass of $\frac{1}{2}$ (carbon)
 - 1.2 GeV protons
 - Avoidance of unstable beam regions
 - constant machine tune



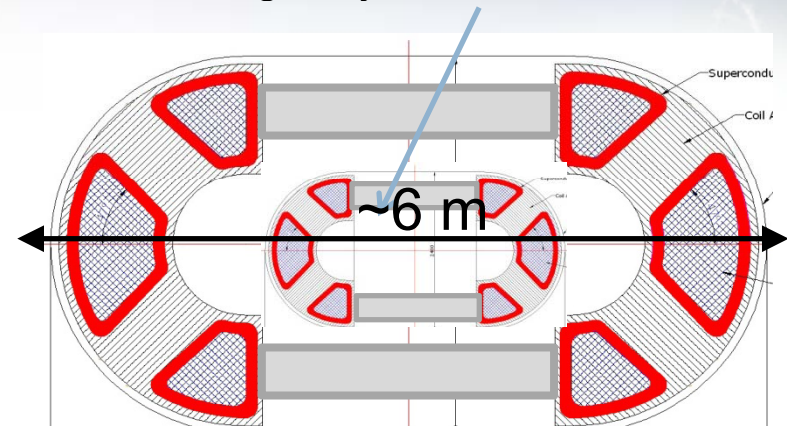
Dual-stage ion FFAG proton FFAG with pCT



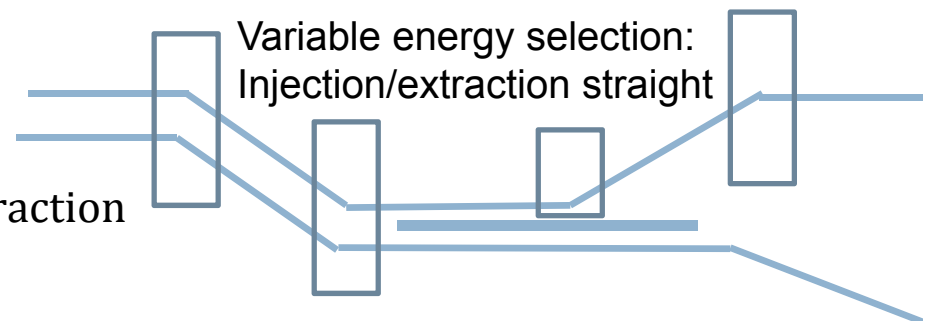
- 1st stage
 - 18 – ~250-330 MeV H⁻
 - Fixed or swept-frequency RF, DC beam
 - Low intensity for pCT
 - Stripping controls extraction energy and intensity in addition to source modulation
 - OR
 - 9-~70-90 MeV charge to mass ratio of 1/2
 - Fixed-frequency RF, DC beam for all ions
 - Variable energy extraction
 - Upstream injector for high-energy ring

- 2nd stage (~4 m x 5-6 m long)
 - 70/90 MeV – 430 MeV/nucleon
 - Variable energy extraction
 - Adjustable, fast orbit bump magnets/extraction septum in long straight
 - DC extracted beam
 - Variable energy on scale of tens of microseconds
 - Investigating extracted energy range

1st stage: Cyclotron or FFAG



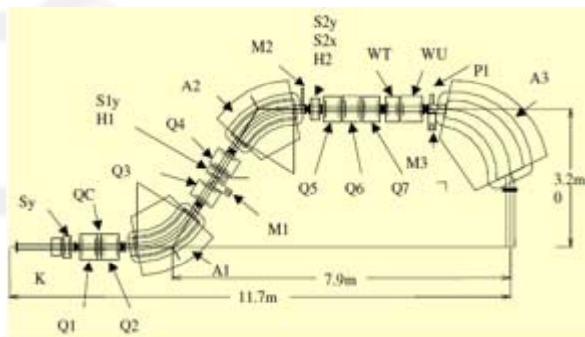
2nd stage: 70/90 – 430 MeV/nucleon ions



Gantries

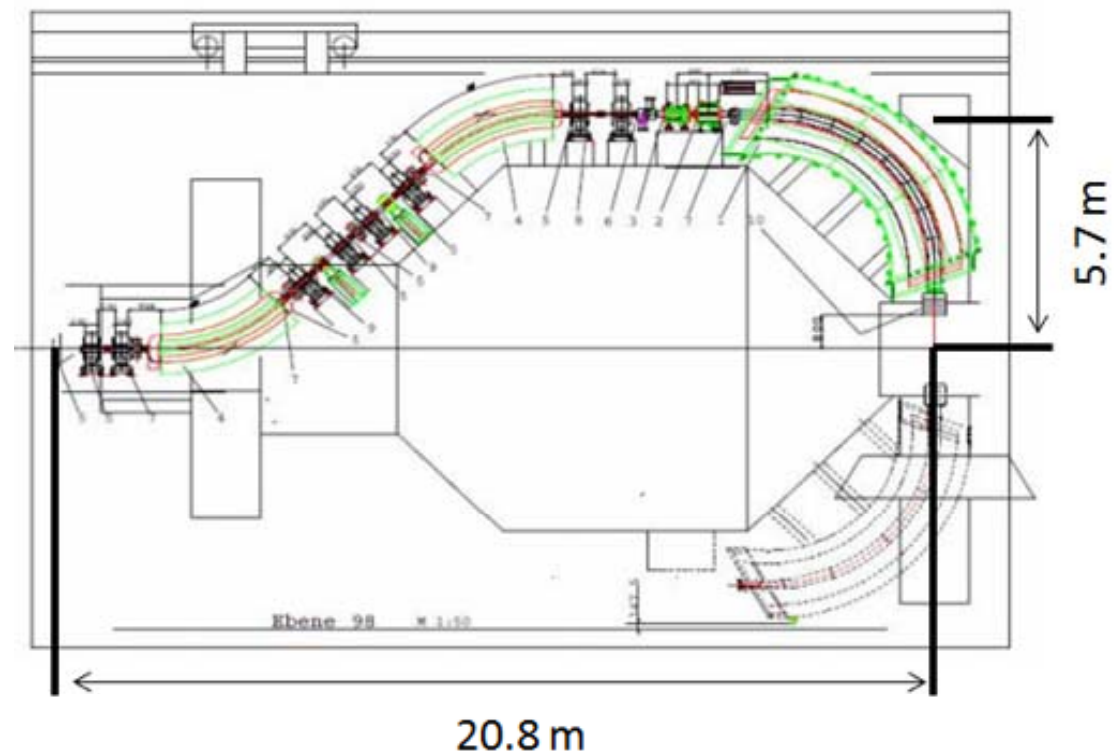


Conventional RT



Proton Gantry
 $B_p < 2.4 \text{ Tm}$

Carbon Ion Gantry
 $B_p < 6.4 \text{ Tm}$



Future gantries

- Superconducting magnets
- FFAG
- Mobile isocenter

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- R&D futuri e specifiche per macchine future

Requirements: next-generation ion therapy*



□ **Multi-ion capability**

- ✓ *Recommended* : p, He, Li, B, C, O, Ne
- ✓ *Essential* : p, He, Li, B, C
- ✓ 1 - 30 cm for treatment
 - ✓ 60 MeV/nucleon - 430 MeV/nucleon (for carbon)

❖ **Treatment Options -**

- Vary single treatment parameter (e.g., low vs high LET) in clinical trials
- Multi-ion treatment option including within a single fraction
 - Better conformal dose with high dose to hypoxic GTV
 - Avoid dose to normal tissue from fragmentation tail
- Hypofractionation with higher RBE ions

❖ **Imaging:**

- Automatically integrated (20 - 60 cm available for imaging[†])
- Full scope of imaging technologies existing in photon facilities

*from final report of the joint NCI-DOE Ion Therapy workshop, Jan, 2013

[†]imaging with carbon will be limited to 20 -30 cm

Requirements: next-generation ion therapy*

□ *Treatment Monitoring and Adaptation*

❖ **Targeting and Image Guidance**

- With imaging, all motion management capabilities available in photon facilities including gated beam delivery
- Pre- and intra-treatment verification with particle beam CT and radiography
 - ✓ Pre-treatment 3D target position and range verification
 - ✓ Simultaneous “real-time” radiographic target position and integrated range verification during treatment
- Post-treatment verification of delivered dose with particle beam CT (patient position) and with PET (dose confirmation)

❖ **Adaptive Therapy**

- Low-dose particle-beam CT allows unlimited scans
 - ✓ Plan modification using pre-treatment particle-beam CT
 - ✓ Plan modification using post-treatment CT or PET imaging



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Requirements: next-generation ion therapy*

❑ *Dose Delivery Rate for Treatment*

❖ **20 Gy/min/liter has been defined as the minimum “standard” for the ion accelerator***

- ✓ Two fields (represent different technical specifications for beam):
 - ✓ 30 cm x 30 cm (single layer field)
 - ✓ 10 x 10 x 10 cm³
 - ✓ Requires ~40 energy steps to evenly cover in depth; (assumes 0.25 cm /layer, ~ 2 MeV energy step)

❖ **1 Gy/sec/liter**

- ✓ Based on DNA repair time for single strand break

❑ *Hypofractionation*

❖ **1 Gy/sec/liter**

- For 20 Gy Total Dose
- 4 fractions, 5 Gy/fraction
 - ✓ 1 to 5-8 sec, or breath-hold delivery (1 sec challenging for beam monitoring)

❑ *Radiobiology*

❖ **5 Gy/sec/liter**

- ✓ Single Fraction, 20 Gy/fraction
 - ✓ 4-8 sec delivery (corresponding timescale if possible)



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Requirements: next-generation ion therapy*

❑ ***Additional Accelerator and Beam Delivery Parameters***

➤ **Beam Properties:**

- ✓ Selectable spot size: 3, 5, and 10 mm (FWHM)
- ✓ Profile characterized and stable (transverse, energy, preferably Gaussian)

➤ **Energy /Range Modulation:**

- ✓ 2 MeV steps for protons (~0.25 cm step in range)
- ✓ 2 MeV/nucleon steps for carbon (~0.1 cm step in range)
 - ✓ 100 millisecc step rate

➤ **Field Size:**

- ✓ Maximum - 40 x 40 cm², minimum - 20 x 20 cm²

➤ **Lateral targeting accuracy @Bragg peak**

- ✓ Protons: ±0.5 mm
- ✓ Carbon: ±0.2 mm (needs to be studied)

➤ **Dose accuracy/fraction**

- ✓ 2.5% monitored at ≥40 kHz during dose deposition

➤ **Real-time Beam monitoring**

- ✓ Fast nondestructive monitoring and feedback
- ✓ Analysis of patient-induced secondaries during treatment



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Next-generation ion therapy accelerators*

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- ✓ Scanning Rate: 5 cm/msec (10 cm/msec is current state of the art)
- ✓ Energy modulation, ≤100 msec/energy step
- ✓ ~10⁹ p/Gy/cm² (for carbon divide by ratio of RBEs, ~3).

❖ **For 20 Gy Total Dose**

➤ Normal Fraction:

- ✓ 20 treatments, 1 Gy/fraction, 1 sec delivery
 - ✓ 10¹²p/sec for 30 cm x 30 cm (single layer field)
 - ✓ 4x10¹² p/sec for and 10 x 10 x 10 cm³ field (40 layers)

➤ Hypofractionation:

- ✓ 4 fractions, 5 -8 Gy/fraction
 - ✓ 1 sec delivery increases intensity by dose factor
 - ✓ up to 2-3 x 10¹³ p/sec
 - ✓ 5-8 sec delivery
 - ✓ Same intensities as normal fraction and 1 sec delivery

➤ Radiobiology:

- ✓ Single Fraction, 20 Gy/fraction, 5-8 sec delivery (if possible)
 - ✓ 2-4x10¹²p/sec for 30 cm x 30 cm (single layer field)
 - ✓ 1-1.6-4x10¹³ p/sec for and 10 x 10 x 10 cm³ field (40 layers)

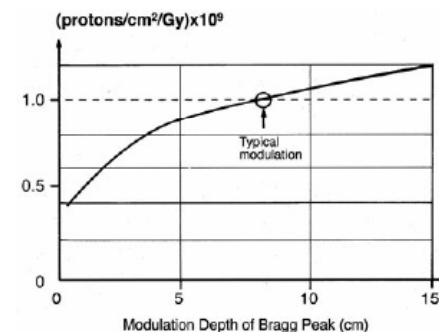


Fig. 4b: Proton fluence/Gray versus width of SOBPs for 100 MeV maximum energy⁴. The proton fluence per Gray for 250 MeV maximum energy is about 30% higher than this curve and about 30% less for SOBPs with 100 MeV maximum energy.

G. Coutrakon, et. al., Proceedings 1999 PAC

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Conclusions



Protontherapy centres are commercial systems (and single room solutions are coming up). This is not true for carbon facilities yet (space and need for firms involvement).

CNAO is now treating patients with both protons and carbon, but improvements and R&D are always ongoing.

Improvements of technology in hadrontherapy are not limited to accelerators, but invest a wide spectrum of systems: some more urgent than others.

Collaborations, intercomparisons, networking are key issues for the success of hadrontherapy and are needed to establish Evidence Based Medicine (patient throughput is an issue) .



That's all Folks!