



Three Dimensional Dosimetry

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Learning objectives

1: 3D Dosimetry in the Clinic: Background and Motivation

- Understand recent developments enabling clinically practical 3D dosimetry,
- Appreciate 3D dosimetry workflow and dosimetry procedures, and
- Observe select examples from the clinic.

2: 3D Dosimetry in the Clinic: Motion interplay effects in dynamic radiotherapy

3: 3D Dosimetry in the Clinic and Research: Special techniques

4: 3D Dosimetry in end-to-end dosimetry QA



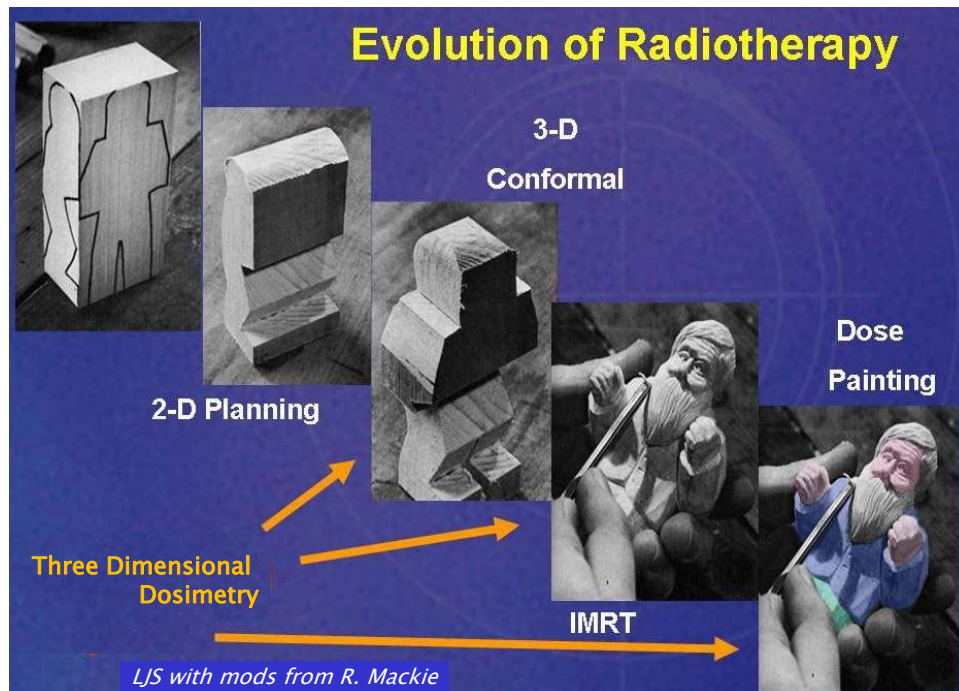
Disclosure

Over the years I have had the pleasure of working with various companies to test and develop ideas.

- **Most recently, Modus QA**
 - Testing readout systems and dosimeters under development, sharing software ideas...
 - No personal gain, but valuable in-kind research support.

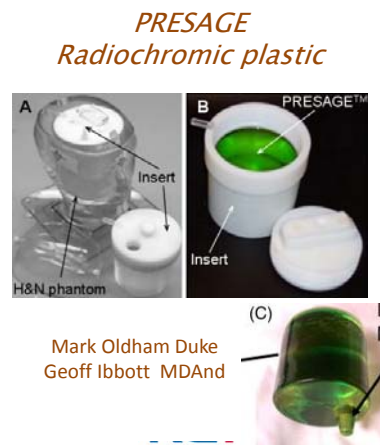
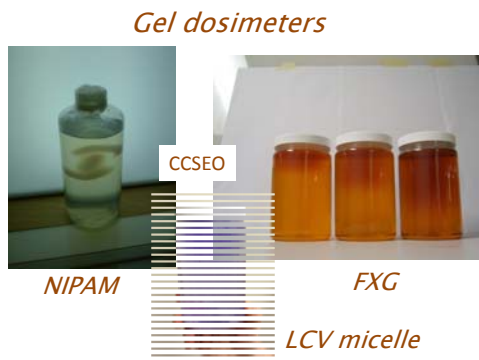
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3D volumetric dosimeters

- Chemical dosimeters that undergo radiation changes that can be probed by some physical technique



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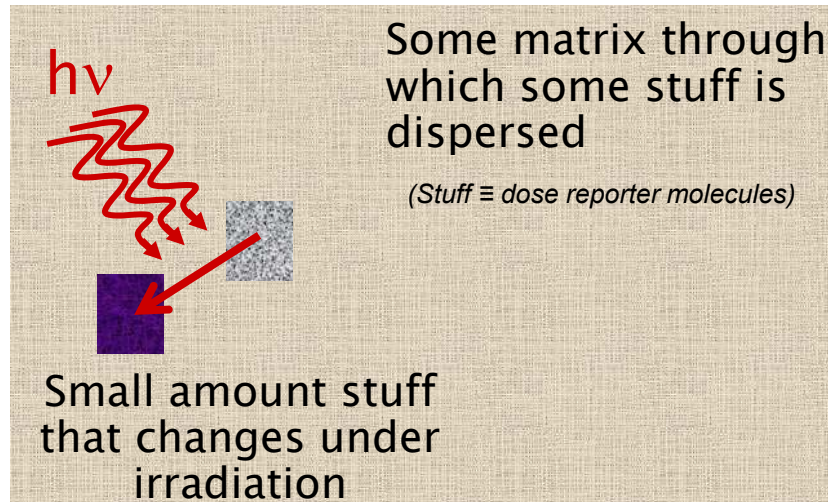
- We are NOT considering:

- Liquid Scintillators
- Exit/transit dosimetry – EPIDS
- Semi-3D systems – diode/ion chamber arrays

These are important systems that have their place, but are not in the scope of this session.

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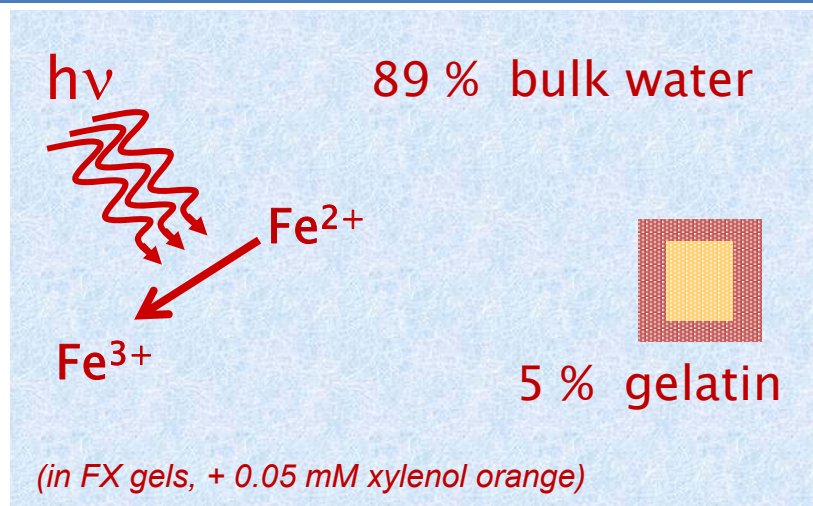
What typically comprises a volumetric 3D dosimeter?



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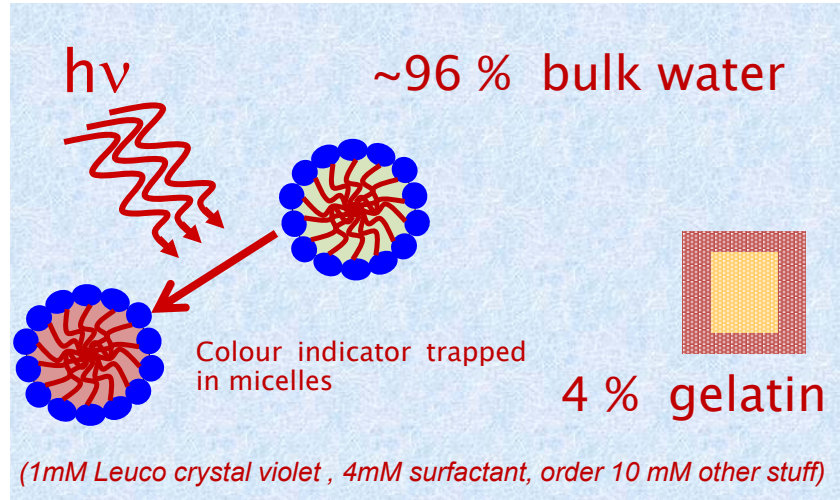
e.g., Fricke gel dosimeter



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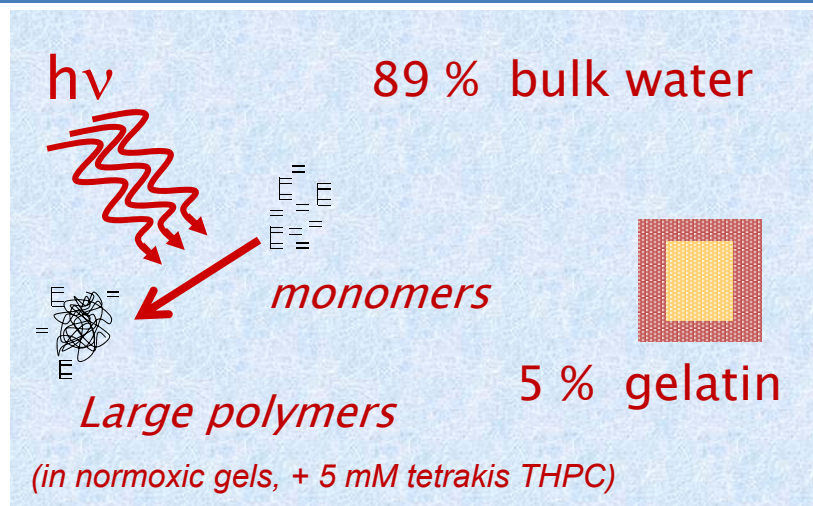
e.g., radiochromic Leucodye micelle dosimeter



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e.g., polymer gel dosimeter

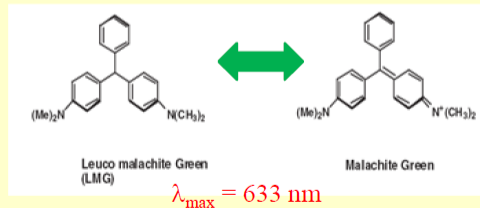


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Radiochromic Plastic: Presage

- a radiochromic Leucodye dispersed in polyurethane matrix
- Tissue equivalent
- Economical



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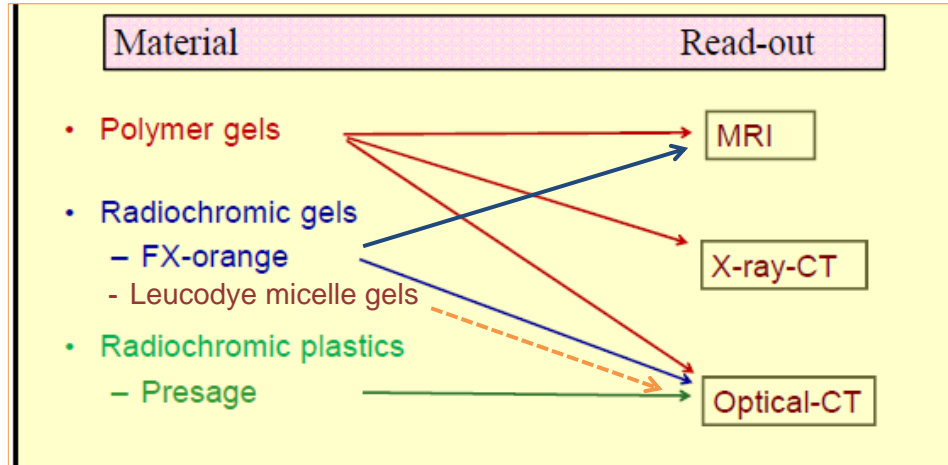
(From Oldham AAPM 2011)

Typical 3D Dosimeters

<p>records and retains spatial dose deposition information</p> <p>3D!</p> <p>high spatial resolution</p> <p>manufactured in liquid form</p> <p>anatomical equivalence</p> <p>can be manufactured in anatomically equivalent phantoms</p>		<p>absorbs dose similarly to water/tissue</p> <p>not necessary to correct for different absorption properties</p> <p>tissue equivalent</p> <p>can experiment with other types of equivalence (e.g. lung)</p> <p>dose integrating</p> <p>can record dose over entire delivery (e.g. IMRT)</p>
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(c/o Andrew Jirasek, UBC Kelowna)

Dosimeter - 3D Readout

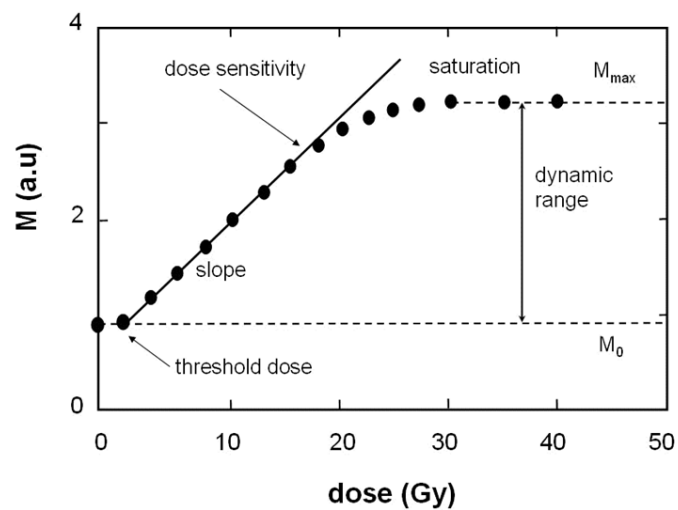


(adapted from M Oldham, Duke)

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Model dose response

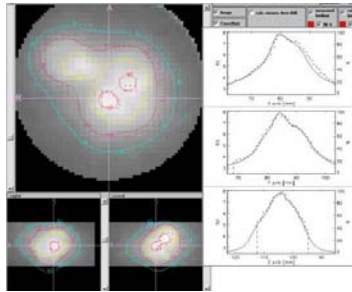


Not all dosimeters show a threshold or a saturation dose.

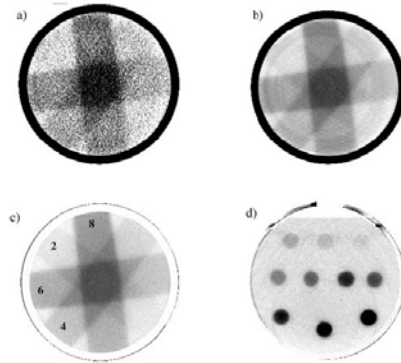
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Examples of Readout



MRI: Schieb 2001

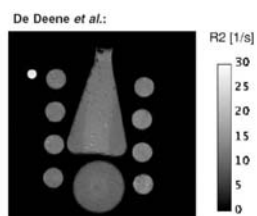


X-ray CT: Hilts et al. 2000

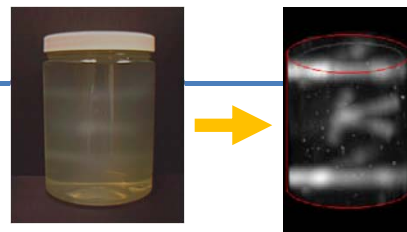
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CALIBRATION



vials



Internal



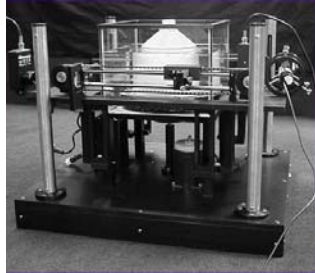
Our Preference

*Independent
volumes from
same batch of
dosimeter*

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Optical CT



MGS Research



Modus QA

Based on change of optical attenuation coefficients in irradiated dosimeter

- Fricke and Radiochromic dosimeters
- Absorption changes



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Precision and accuracy of 3D systems

In our hands using gel dosimeters we have been able to achieve:

- Relative doses (precision)
 - 2 to 3% easily, <1 or 2% with work
- Delivered dose (absolute dose) (accuracy)
 - 3 to 5% easily, 1-2% with work

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3D Dosimetry (old problems/**solutions**)

Not yet broadly clinically adopted

- ❖ Imaging for readout not always readily available
 ➡ (MRI to optical CT or x-ray CT as available)
- ❖ Gel preparation (toxicity, oxygen contamination ...)
 ➡ (some systems easily prepared, commercial vendors)
- ❖ May have better tools for applications to be tested
 ➡ (use the right tool for the right job)
- ❖ Data analysis laborious and lengthy
 ➡ (open source Slicer-RT module)

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3D Dosimetry (old problems/**solutions**)

Commercial service providers for various systems and dosimeters:

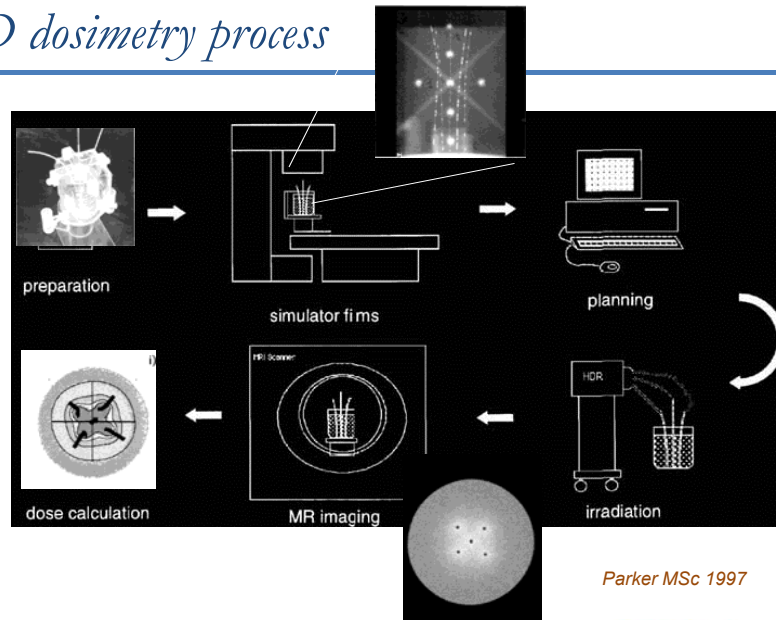
- GeVero, Poland (www.polygevero.com)
- Heuris Pharma, USA (www.presage3d.com)
- MGS Research Inc., USA (www.mgsresearch.com)
- Modus QA, Canada (www.modusqa.com)
- RT Safe, Greece (www.rt-safe.com)

Apologies if this list is dated.

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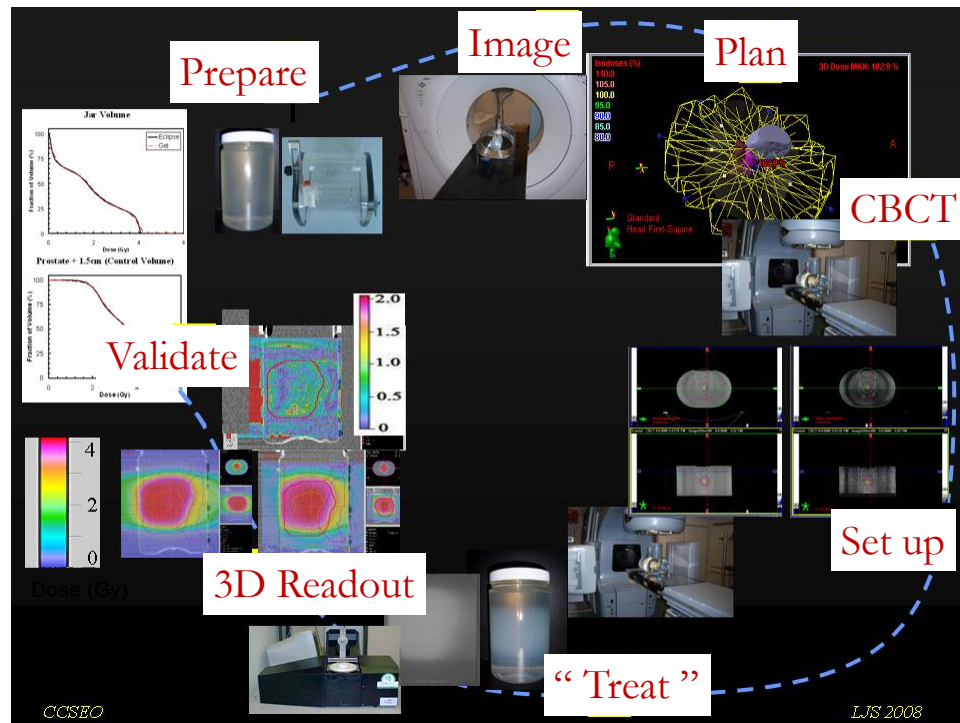
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3D dosimetry process



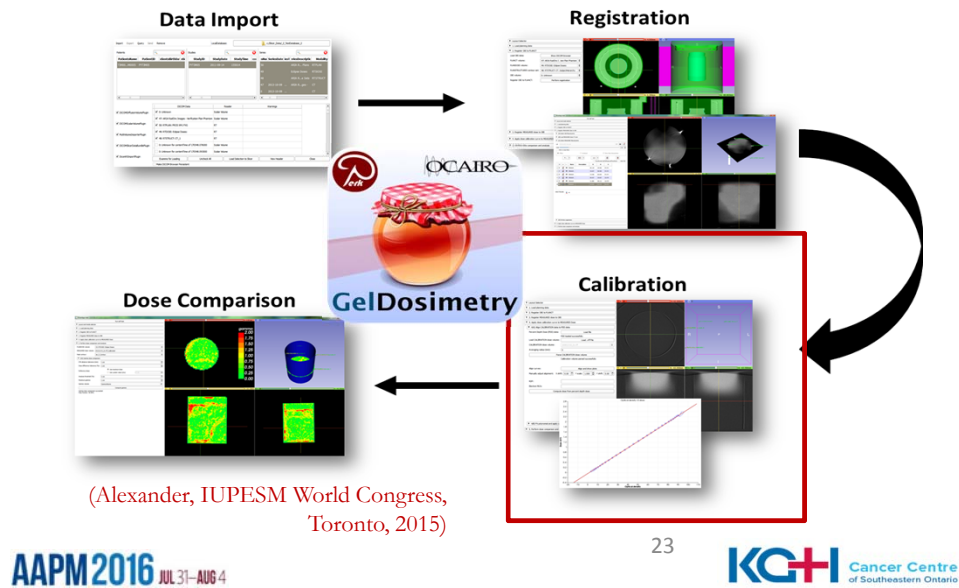
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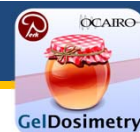
Data analysis

We work in SLICER-RT open source environment



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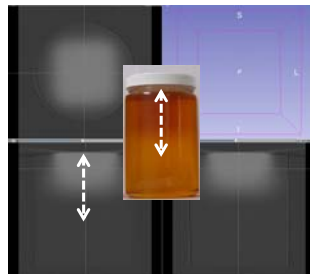
Gel dosimeter batch calibration



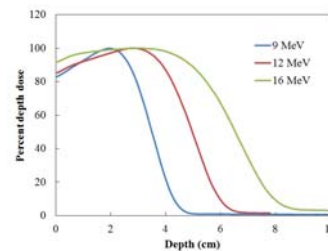
- Percent depth-dose (PDD) method was used to calibrate (i.e. calculate optical dose sensitivity) our gel dosimeters
- Electron beam irradiations to the surface of a Fricke xylenol orange gel dosimeter were performed for a range of energies (9, 12, 16 MeV)
- Gel response has previously been shown to be independent of photon or electron energy



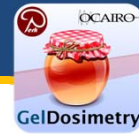
6 x 6 cm² applicator



12 MeV electron beam irradiation



Consistency



- Calibration procedure was performed by a single user five times for each gel, and dose sensitivities were averaged

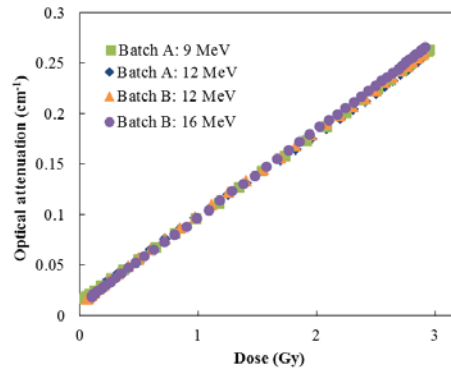


Table 1 Mean sensitivities for electron beam gel dosimeter irradiations

Gel Batch	Electron Beam Energy (MeV)	Mean Sensitivity ($\text{cm}^{-1} \text{Gy}^{-1}$) ± Relative Standard Deviation
A	9	$0.0840 \pm 0.1\%$
A	12	$0.0830 \pm 0.1\%$
B	12	$0.0849 \pm 0.1\%$
B	16	$0.0872 \pm 0.1\%$



Validation of VMAT FSRT calculated doses using a multi-configurational phantom

- Ion chamber:
 - Capintec PR-05P (volume=0.07 cm^3)
 - Point dose measurements at isocenter
- EBT3 Gafchromic film
 - Coronal mid-plane orientation
 - Analyzed with CCSEO radiochromic film imaging system
- Fricke xylene orange gel
 - Vista optical CT scanner*
 - Analyzed with Gel Dosimetry Analysis Application in 3D Slicer



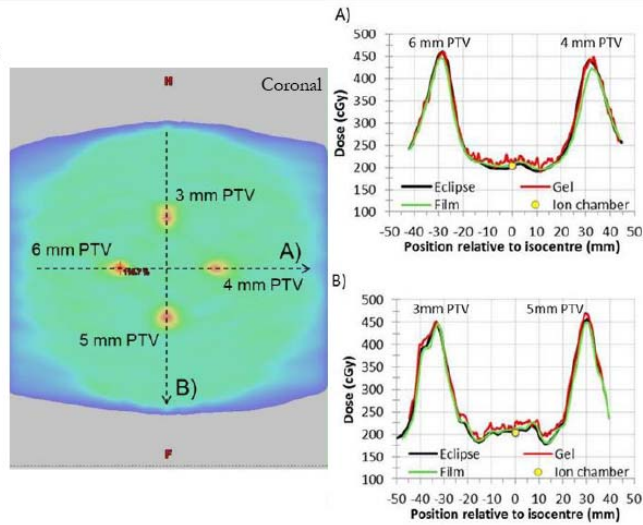
(Lalonde, IUPESM World Congress, Toronto, 2015)

Technique Validation CCSEO (prior to first treatment)

- 4 PTV₄₀ plans
- Dose profiles
 - Eclipse
 - Film
 - Gel

Peak PTV
doses agree
with calculated
doses within:

- 3% for gel
- 5% for film

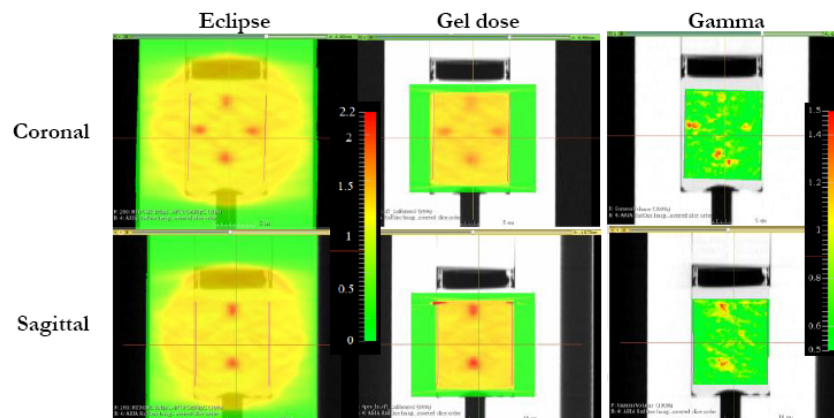


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Technique Validation CCSEO (prior to first treatment)

- Gel Results: 4PTV plan (3 to 6 mm diam.):
 - Gamma agreement (3%/3 mm) = 95.8%



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Conclusions

- ❖ Full 3D dosimeters have attractive features desirable for modern dose delivery validation
- ❖ Many of the problems that have kept 3D dosimetry out of the clinic have been corrected
- ❖ My colleagues will now illustrate this further

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Resources for future reading

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Chapter 30 Gel Dosimetry

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6 Volumes of the open journal J. Phys: Conf. Series

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Questions: time is short today, feel free to contact us

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