

# Analytical Methods for Normal-Tissue Dose Reconstructions

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## Learning Objectives

- Introduction
  - Rationale for modeling stray exposures
  - Current state of knowledge
- Analytical Models for Stray Dose Calculations
  - Show some approaches, results, and codes
  - Proton therapy
  - Photon therapy

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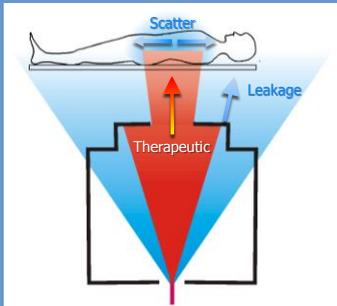
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## Introduction: Radiotherapy Exposures



Newhauser and Durante. Newhauser WD, Durante M. Assessing the risk of second malignancies after modern radiotherapy. Nat Rev Cancer 11(6):438-48, 2011.

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## Intro: Current State of Knowledge

- Stray exposures vary strongly and depend on a large number of treatment and host factors.
- Lack of high-throughput methods.
- **Understanding of physics is emerging.**

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## Intro: Comparison of Methods for Estimation of Stray Dose

Approach	Accuracy	Speed	Ease of Use	Generalizability of Model
Measurement	★★★	★		n/a
Monte Carlo	★★★	★		★
Analytical: Empirical	★★	★★★★	★★★★	
Analytical: Physics-based	★★	★★★★	★★★★	★★★★

**Which is best?**

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## Intro: Physics-Based Analytical Models

- Facilitates understanding of the physics.
- Cheap, fast, and generalizable approach.
- Therefore, *potentially* well suited to large-scale, routine, and clinical applications, *e.g.*, prospective clinical trials and epidemiologic studies.

See Newhauser WD, Berrington de Gonzalez A, Schulte R, and Lee C. A Review of Radiotherapy-Induced Late Effects Research After Advanced-Technology Treatments. (Invited review), *Frontiers in Oncology*, Vol 6, article 13 (2016).

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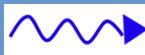
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## Physics-Based, Analytical Models

### PHOTON Beams



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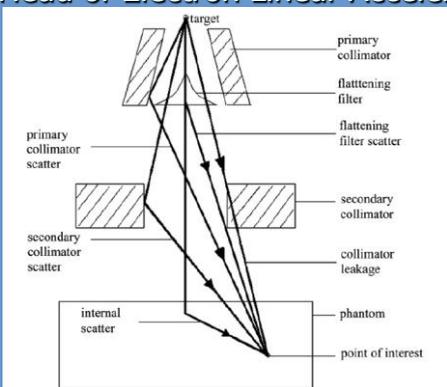
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### Tx Head of Electron Linear Accelerator



Chofor, Harder, Willborn and Poppe. Phys. Med. Biol. 57 (2012) 1733-1743

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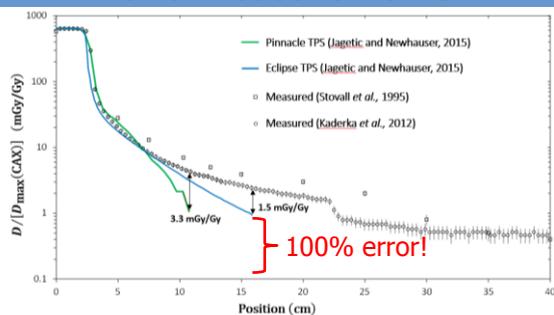
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### Clinical Photon Planning Systems and Measurements



Jagetic L and Newhauser WD, A simple and fast analytical method to calculate doses to the whole body from external beam, megavoltage x-ray therapy. Phys Med Biol. 60 (2015) 4753-4775.

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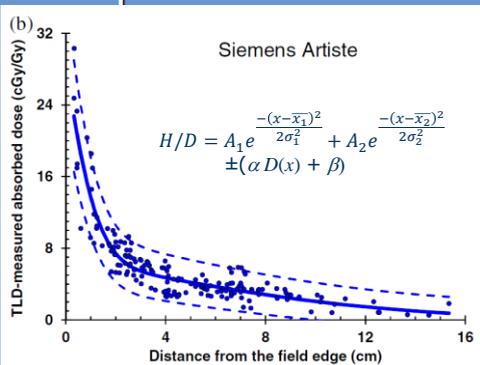
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### Empirical Formulas



PJ Taddei, W Jalbout, R Howell, N Khater, F Geera, K Homann, and W Newhauser, Analytical model for out-of-field dose in photon craniospinal irradiation. Phys. Med. Biol. 58 (2013) 7463-7479

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PERIPHOCAL

Stand-Alone Code with Nice User Interface

Versatile

Stylized Phantom

12 equations

**Patient Data**

Patient ID:	AN00000000
Gender:	Male
Pathology:	Larynx
Technique:	IMRT
Energy:	66.15
Linac:	Siemens Primus

**Equivalent photon dose [mSv]**

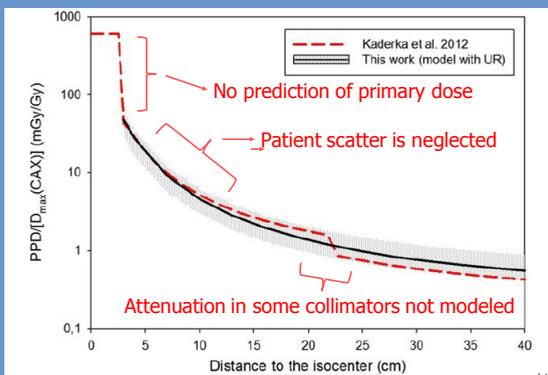
Lung	232
Stomach	228
Thyroid	0
Red Marrow	125

Diagram showing a stylized phantom with dimensions: 10 cm, 10 cm, X<sub>iso</sub>, X<sub>org</sub>, X<sub>org</sub>+L, and a coordinate system (z, x).

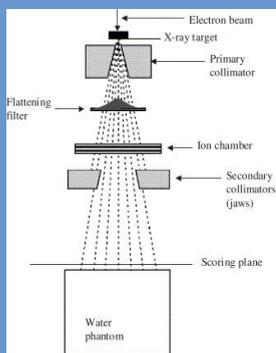
Sanchez-Nieto et al, Biomed Phys Engr Express, 2015



PERIPHOCAL Photon Model



Physics-Based Modeling Approach



Sources (primary and scatter)

Photon Fluence in air

Attenuation in head, phantom

Scattering in head, phantom

Convert fluence to dose

Combine doses

$$D_T = D_P + D_L + D_S$$

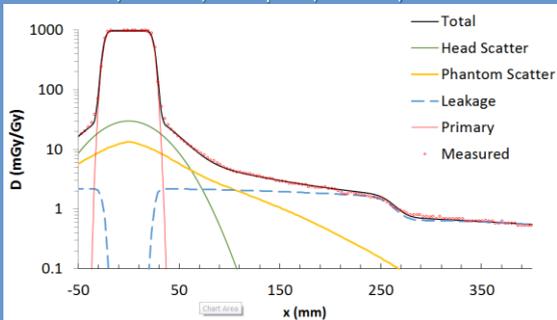
(32 Equations)

Jagetic L and Newhauser WD. A simple and fast analytical method to calculate doses to the whole body from external beam, megavoltage x-ray therapy. Phys Med Biol. 60 (2015) 4753-4775



## Results: Physics Model Performance

6 MV, in-water, cross-plane, 5x5 cm<sup>2</sup>, d=1.5 cm



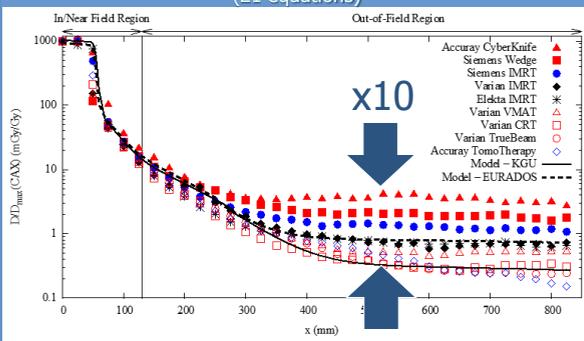
Predictions: Jagetic L and Newhauser WD. A simple and fast analytical method to calculate doses to the whole body from external beam, megavoltage x-ray therapy, *Phys Med Biol*, 60 (2015) 4755-4775.

Measurements: R Kaderka et al. Out-of-field dose measurements in a water phantom using different radiotherapy modalities. *Phys Med Biol* 57: 5099-5074 (2012). 18



## Simpler Physics-Based Analytical Model

(21 equations)

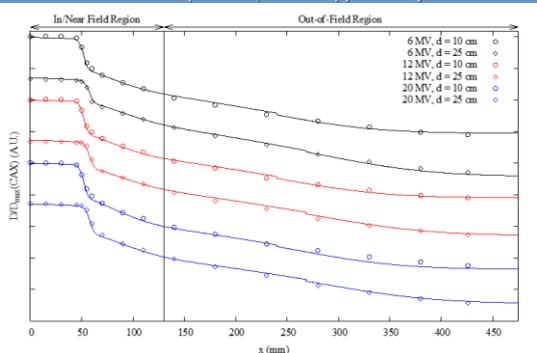


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## Simpler Physics-Based Analytical Model:

Just 21 Equations, broad applicability



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# Physics-Based, Analytical Models:

## PROTON Beams



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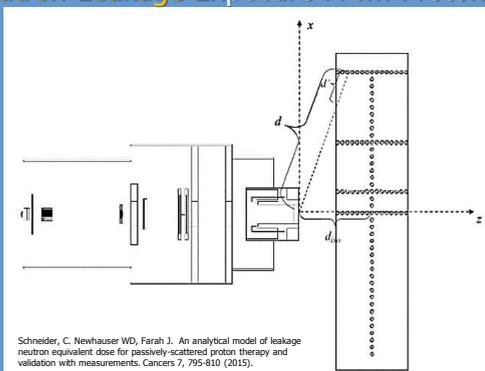
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### Neutron Leakage Exposure From Proton RT



Schneider, C, Newhauser WD, Farah J. An analytical model of leakage neutron equivalent dose for passively-scattered proton therapy and validation with measurements. *Cancers* 7, 795-810 (2015).

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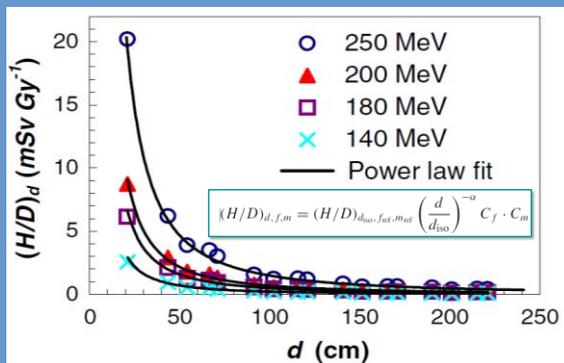
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### Early Physics-Based Model



Zheng et al. *PMB* 52 (2007) 4481-4496

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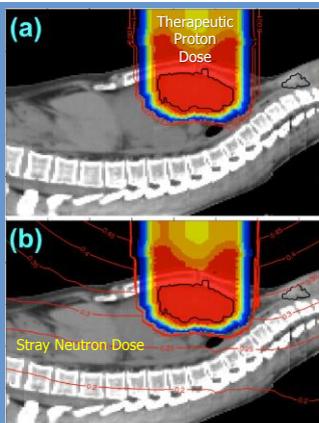
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## Translation to Clinic Appears Feasible

Implemented LSU stray dose model in GSI's TRIP RTP system

Eley, Newhauser, Homann, Howell, Schneider, Durante Bert. *Cancers* 2015, 7, 427-438




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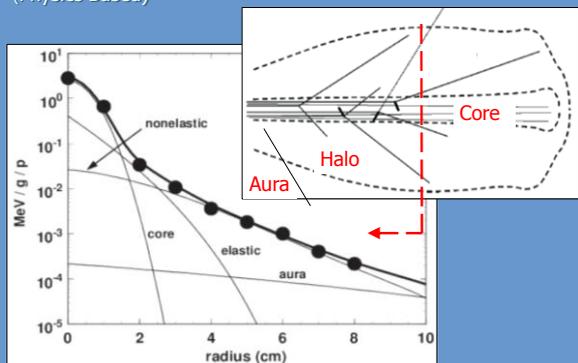
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## Proton Pencil Beam Model by Gottschalk *et al.* (Physics Based)



B Gottschalk, E Cascio, J Daartz and M Wagner. arXiv:1412.0045v3 [physics.med-ph] 29 May 2015

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## Discussion

- Rapid progress toward understanding of physical processes of stray exposures.
- A variety of physics-based analytical models have emerged in recent years with promising results.
- Currently, we are in the late R&D phase and will soon enter translation phase.

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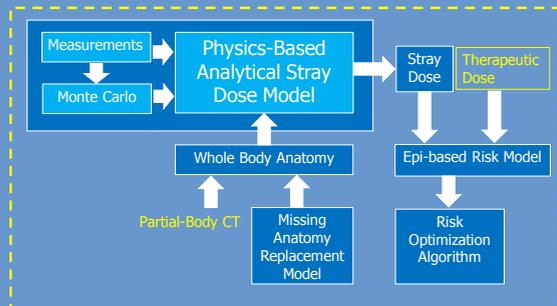
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## Connections and Integration ...

Existing Clinical Treatment Planning Systems



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# Thank You

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## Selected Recent Review Papers

- Newhauser WD, Schneider C, Wilson L, Shrestha S and Donahue W. A review of analytical models of stray radiation exposures from photon- and proton-beam radiotherapies (invited paper). *Radiat Prot Dosim.* (in review).
- Newhauser WD, Berrington de Gonzalez A, Schulte R, and Lee C. A Review of Radiotherapy-Induced Late Effects Research After Advanced-Technology Treatments. (Invited review), *Frontiers in Oncology.* Vol 6, article 13 (2016).
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