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# Ultrasound Guided Radiotherapy for Pancreatic Cancer

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## **Learning Objectives**



- The audience will learn the major components including ultrasound imaging, coordinate calibration, probe positioning and image tracking for ultrasound monitoring in radiotherapy for pancreatic cancer
- The audience will learn how to incorporate the real-time ultrasound monitoring with existing pancreatic cancer treatment clinical workflow

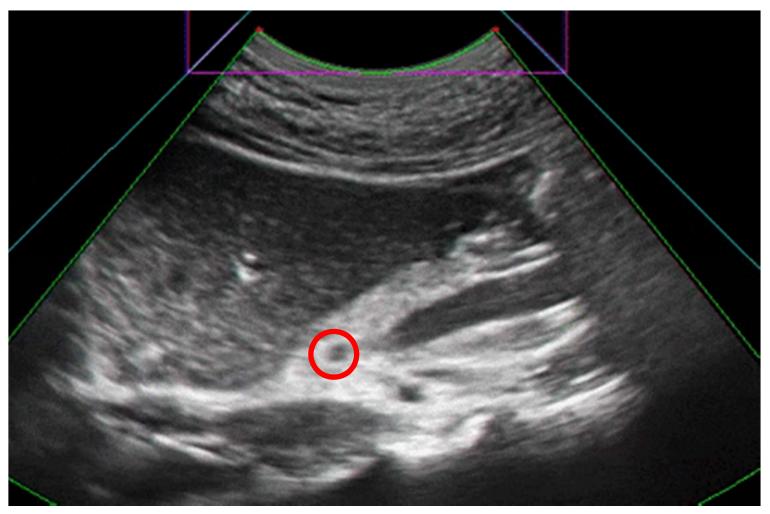
### **Pancreas Cancer**



- 4<sup>th</sup> leading cause of cancer-related death in US
- Typically late presentation of disease
   Only 15-20% of patients are considered resectable
- 5-year overall survival after pancreaticoduodenectomy (whipple surgery)
  - 25-30% for node-negative disease
  - 10% for node-positive disease
- More recent data suggest outcomes may be improving over time

# Breath hold monitoring during pancreas SBRT





### **USGRT components**

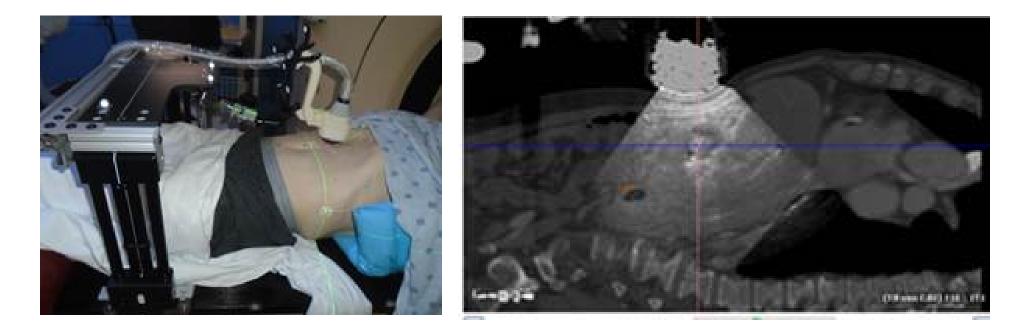




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### **CT/US Sim**

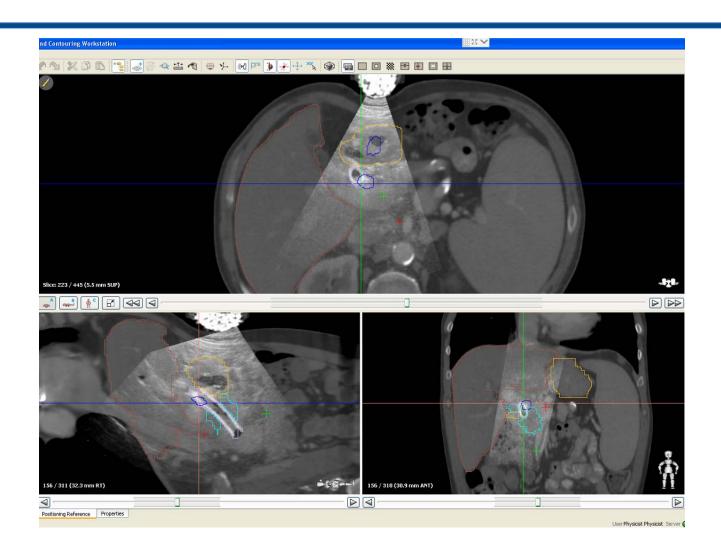




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#### **Ultrasound contouring**

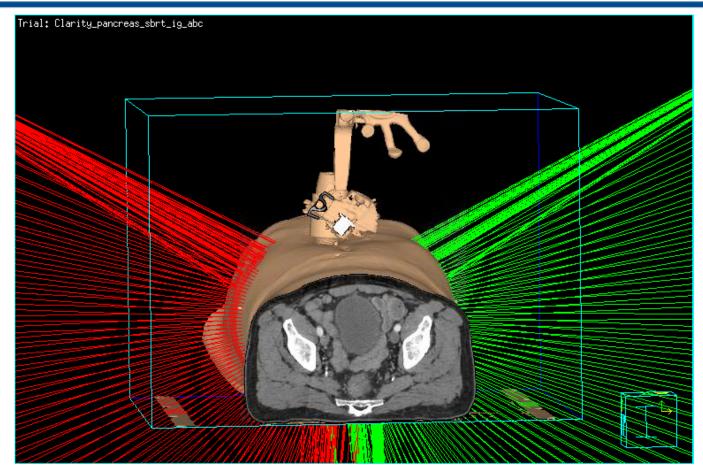




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### **Probe impact on planning**

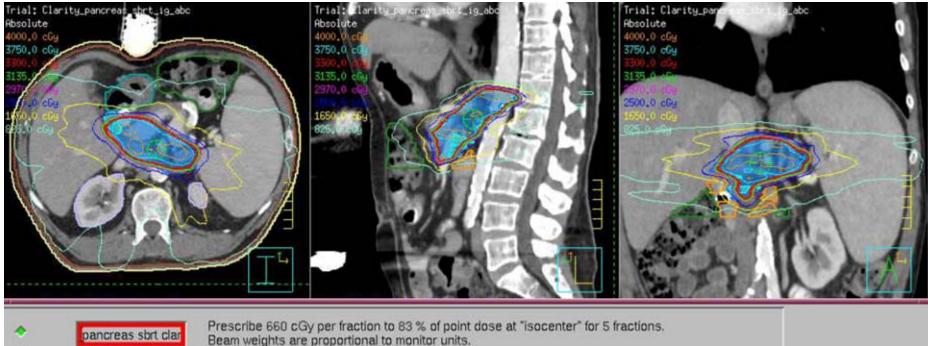




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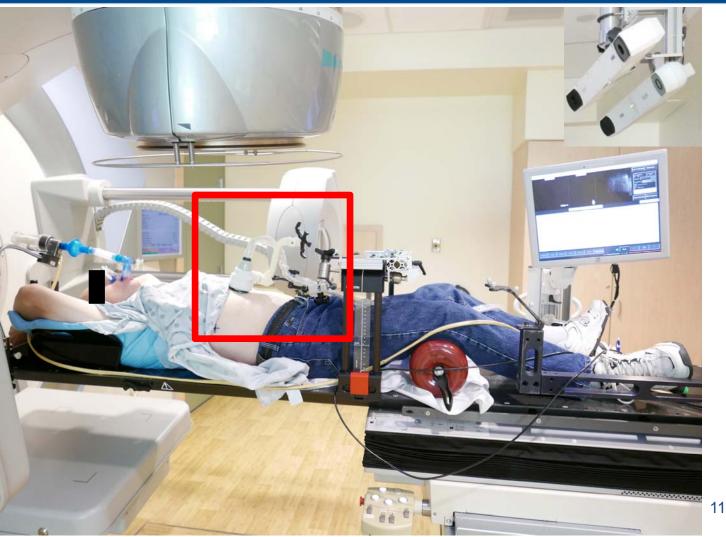


Actual point dose at "isocenter" from all prescriptions/beams is 3975.91 cGy.

Duo V15 = 5.96 cc < 9cc Duo V20 = 1.59 cc < 3cc Duo V33 = 0.0 cc < 1cc PTV V33 = 90.09% >90% Sto V15 = 8.52 cc < 9cc Sto V20 = 1.45 cc < 3cc Sto V33 = 0.0 cc < 1cc Bowel V15 = 6.68 cc < 9cc Bowel V20 = 1.44 cc < 3cc Bowel V33 = 0.0 cc < 1cc

### **Treatment setup**





### **CBCT** initial setup

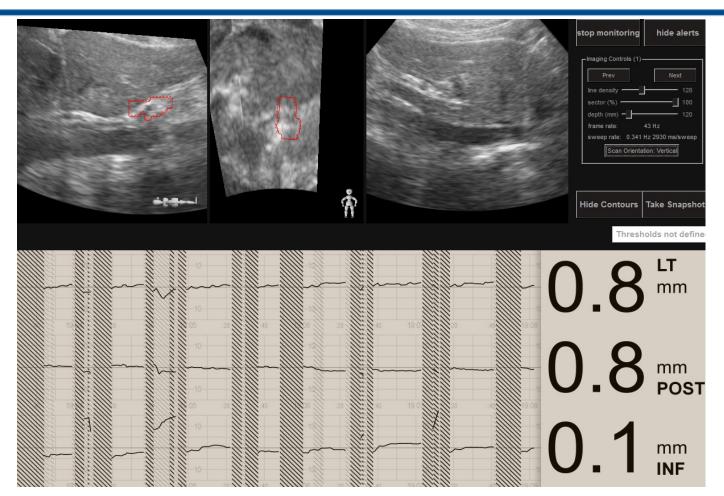




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### **Ultrasound monitoring**



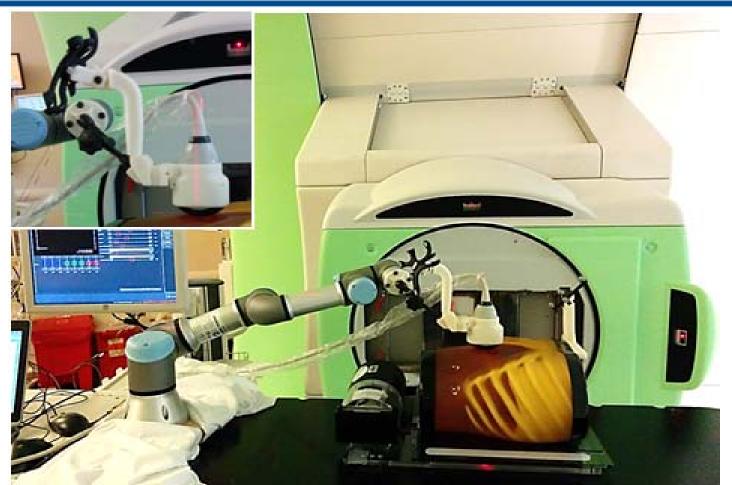


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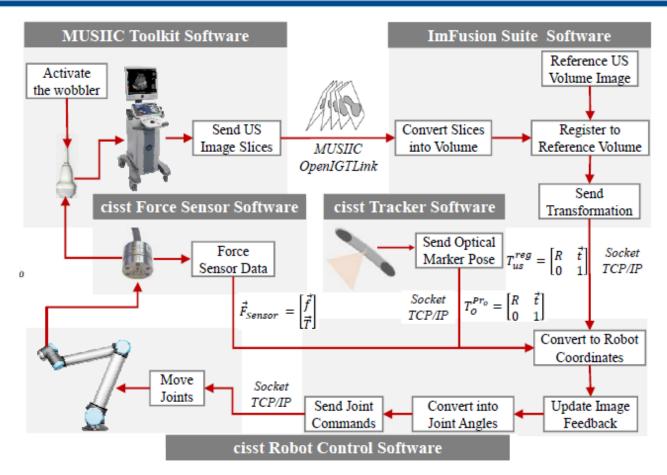
# Robotic arm for gated proton therapy





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## Visual servoing automatically place probe

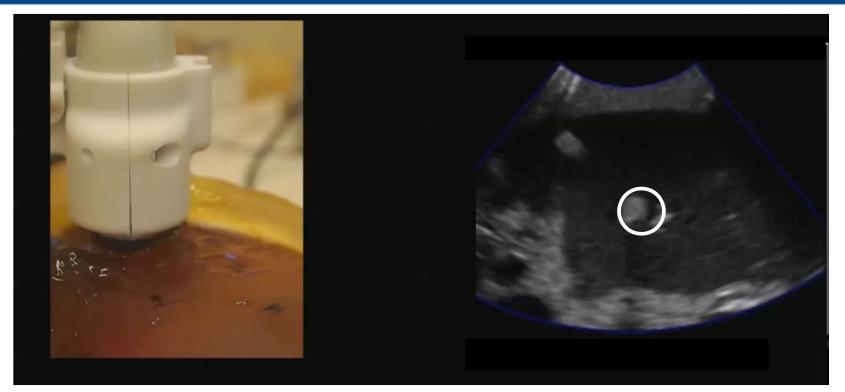


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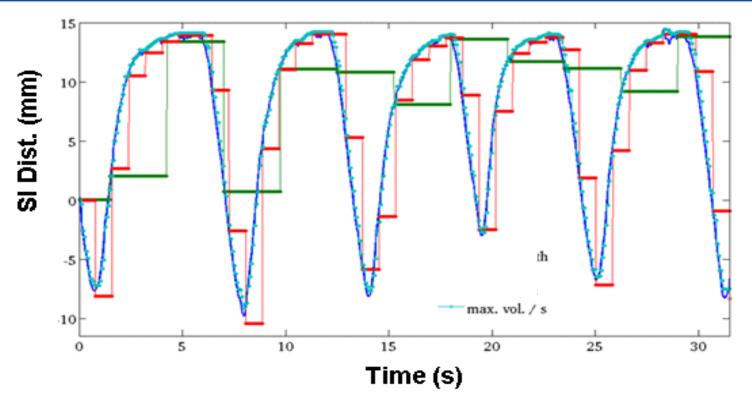




Ultrasound probe controlled by robotic arm Real time ultrasound image being registered to reference image

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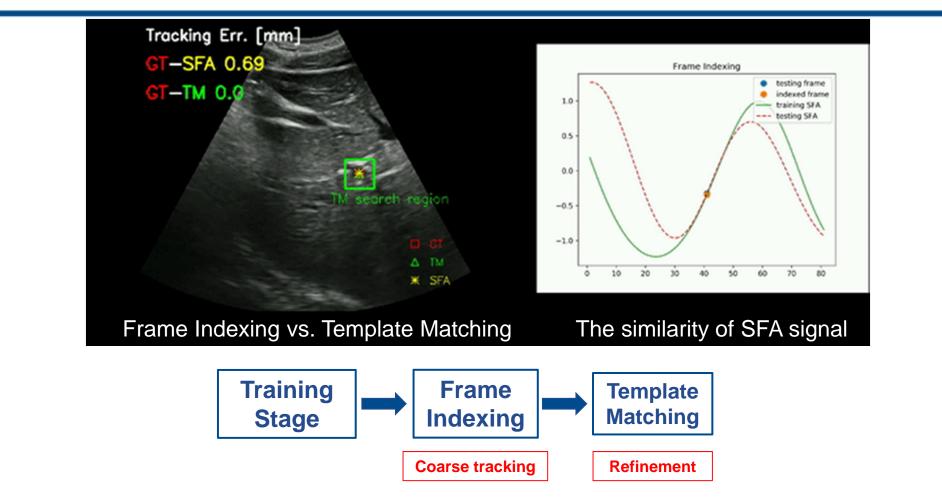
# Tracking relies on imaging speed



- Ground truth (optical tracking)
   0.3 Hz, 45° sweeping angle
- → 1 Hz, 15° sweeping angle
- ----- 11 Hz, 3° sweeping angle
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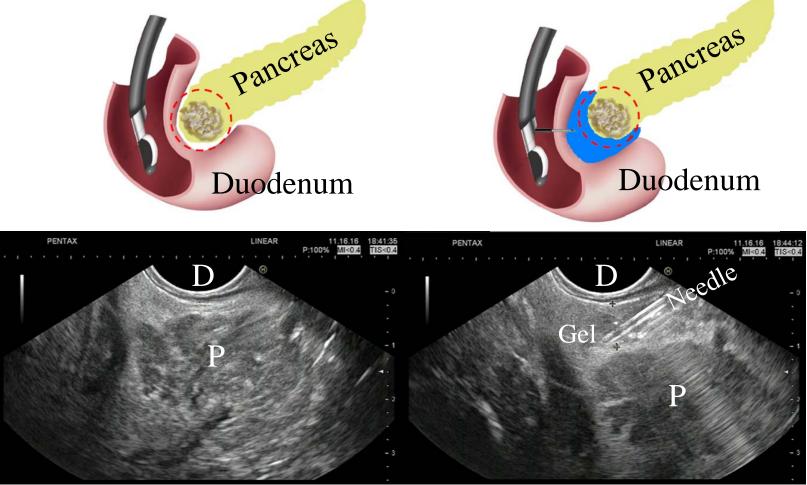


### Fast tracking (15ms/frame)



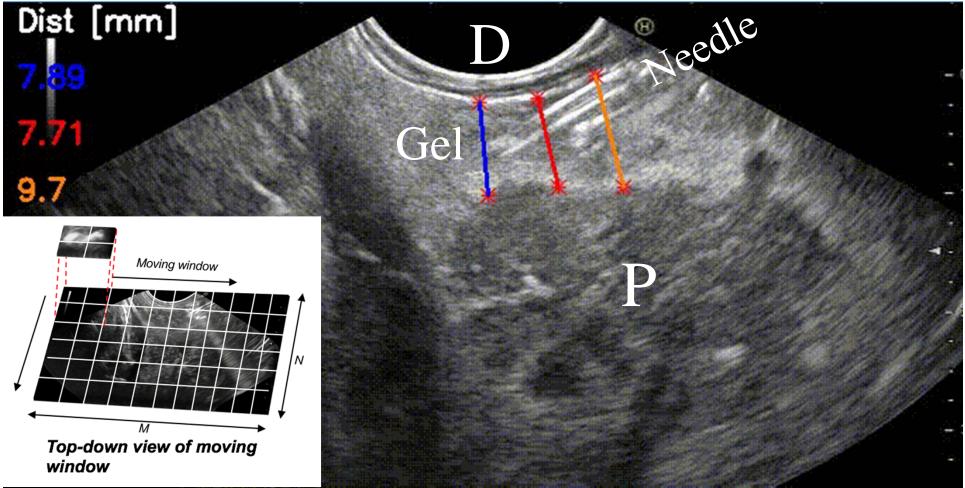
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# Biodegradable hydrogel with endoscopic ultrasound guidance



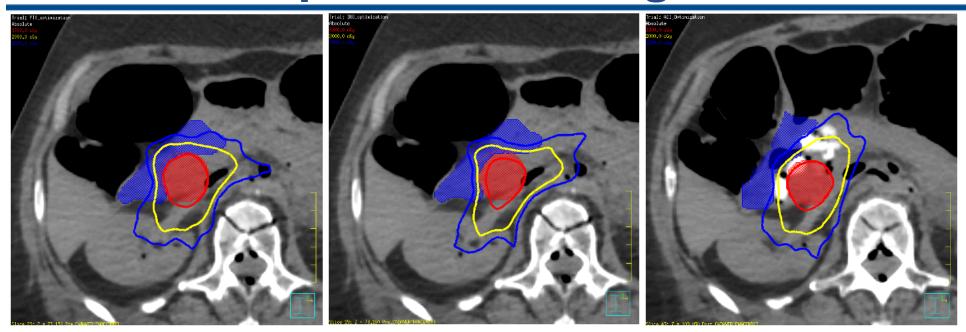
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### Biodegradable hydrogel with endoscopic ultrasound guidance



Pre-Injection Plan with PTV priority Duo V15 = 7.07 cc Duo V20 = 3.86 cc (!) Duo V33 = 0.15 cc PTV V33 = 95.01% Pre-Injection Plan with Duo priority Duo V15 = 3.33 cc Duo V20 = 1.27 cc Duo V33 = 0.01 cc PTV V33 = 80.36% (!)

**Post-Injection Plan** 

Duo V15 = 2.02 cc Duo V20 = 0.36 cc Duo V33 = 0.0 cc PTV V33 = 97.87%

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- Ultrasound guidance can be used for motion monitoring in radiotherapy for pancreatic cancer
- Clinical workflow has to be adapted to incorporate the changes
- Endoscopic ultrasound can guide the injection of hydrogel to potentially reduce the duodenum dose

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### Questions



