## Ultrasound and MRI for monitoring pancreas motion during radiation therapy delivery

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Multimodality imaging for target definition



# Dose painting

- Boost GTV or poor-response regions to highest dose possible while maintaining OAR dose-volume constraints.
- 5 mm PTV margin





Need to address: Inter- and intra-fractional motions !!!

#### Inter-fraction changes







gating	gating	No gating	no IGRI no gating
19%	42%	66%	72%
8%	15%	22%	19%
14%	23%	32%	35%
0.4%	3%	8%	11%
1%	4%	9%	11%
2%	6%	13%	17%
1%	4%	10%	12%
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#### We are investigating:

# MRI and US for monitoring intra-frational motions

#### Clarity Hand-Held Autoscan Probe (m4DC7-3/60) 3-5MHz)









#### US-based IGRT



# US acquisition



#### Pancreas and the Portal Vein





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hepatic artery oeliae trunt aorta SMA aorta

US of pancreas and surrounding structures

### **MRI** acquisition

- A 3-Tesla MRI scanner, with a 4-Channel Body Matrix Coil.
- Imaging sequence: Axial T2-weighted HASTE (spin-echo)
- Imaging parameters:
  field of view (FOV): 360x276 mm; slice thickness: 5mm; Voxel Size: 1.18x1.18x5; time repetition (TR)/time echo (TE): 2000/96 ms;



#### **MRI** acquisition



**US-probe deformation** 

## **MR-US Probe Deformation**



#### **MR-US Probe Deformation**



MRI-US registration

















#### **MRI-US** registration





# **MRI-UIS** registration



# MRI-US registration



#### US registered with CT



Registered US-CT for a patient with a tumor in the tail of the pancreas. Yellow: Portal-Splenic Vein. Red: Aorta. Blue: Superior Mesenteric Artery (SMA).



Registration of US and CT images for a patient with a tumor in pancreas head. The contours are created using the US which are translated into the CT. Red: Portal-Splenic Vein Confluence (PSVC). Blue: Dilated Pancreatic Duct. Green: Stent.

#### US for pancreas motion monitoring

Difficult to track pancreas head.

Easy to see:

PSVC: Portal-Splenic Vein Confluence IVC: Interior Vena Cava A: Aorta SMA: Superior Mesenteric Artery



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#### Motion difference between surrogates and pancreas

## **Axial Acquisition**



# Sagittal acquisition



## 3D Volume



# 3D Volume



## Segmentation





#### Motion monitoring prior to/during delivery





## Monitoring Session (max motion SI)



## Monitoring Session (max motion SI/LR)



Motion Management with MR-Linac







1.5 T diagnostic MRI quality





• Switchable contrast modes (T1, or mixed T2/T1)

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#### **Summary:**

- Portable, non-invasive, and inexpensive ultrasound imaging may be used as an alternative imaging modality for motion monitoring during RT delivery for pancreatic cancer;
- monitoring during RT delivery for pancreatic cancer;
  Surrogate structures or anatomic land markers surrounding the pancreas that are moving along with the pancreas may be used for the motion tracking;
- □ The MRI and/or CT acquired with ultrasound at the same patient treatment position may be used to help identify or to verify the locations and shapes of the pancreas and surrogates on the ultrasound images.