

Quality assurance and in vivo dosimetry for SBRT

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Outline (1)

Pre-treatment QA:

- i) Linac QC: Laser, Isocenter, Multileafs verification
- ii) Imaging system QC: Isocenter verification
- iii) Patient specific QA
- iv) End to end test
- v) Inter(national) Audit

AAPM REPORTS & DOCUMENTS

Linac QC

AAPM-RSS Medical Physics Practice Guideline 9.a. for SRS-SBRT

Frequency	Test	Tolerance
Daily	Laser localization — only if using SRS techniques relying on lasers for target localization (e.g., frame-based SRS without X-ray IGRT)	1 mm
	Collimator size indicator for clinically relevant aperture	2 mm total
	Radiation isocentricity test (limited gantry and couch positions) — maximum deviation in center of target object relative to each projection's beam central axis	1.0 mm SRS, 1.5 mm SBRT
	IGRT positioning/repositioning	1 mm SRS, 2 mm SBRT
	Imaging subsystem interlocks	Functional
	Stereotactic interlocks — cone size, backup jaws	Functional
	Accelerator output constancy	±3%
Monthly	Radiation isocentricity test — covering complete range of gantry, couch, collimator positions used clinically — maximum deviation in center of target object relative to each projection's beam central axis *Note: If both MLC and fixed conical collimators are used, both must be evaluated at least monthly	1.0 mm SRS, 1.5 mm SBRT
	Treatment couch position indicators: relative over the maximum clinical range	1 mm/0.5°
	Output constancy at relevant dose rates	2%
Annually	SRS arc rotation mode (if used clinically)	1 MU, 1°
	MU linearity (≥5 MU to highest MU used clinically)	±2%
	Accelerator output	\pm 1.5%
	Coincidence of radiation and mechanical isocenter	\pm 1.0 mm maximum 3-D displacement from center of target object
	Verification of small-field beam data — relative output factors for cones and/or MLC	$\pm 2\%$ from baseline for >1.0 cm apertures, $\pm 5\%$ from baseline for ${\leq}1.0$ cm apertures
	E2E localization assessment "hidden target test" using SRS frame and/or IGRT system	1.0 mm
	E2E dosimetric evaluation using SRS frame and/or IGRT system	$\pm 5\%$ measured vs. calculated

TABLE 1 Minimum SRS-SBRT relevant equipment QA and tolerances for C-arm linac systems.

Tolerances are absolute accuracy, not variation from baseline, unless otherwise stated.

Winston-Lutz test







Test OK

Test NOT OK

On Board Imaging System QC



Figure 11.12 Fixed room axes (arrowheads indicate positive directions for rotations & translation











Patient specific QA

Pre-treatment patient specific **QA** is mandatory

The **revelator resolution** is a critical parameter because of the **small target dimension**

Gamma Agreement Index 2%2mm should be used

Patient specific QA



G-T profile at the isocenter (top), the 2D γ distribution on the coronal plane passing through the isocenter at 2% 2mm (middle) and 2% 1mm (bottom) are shown: A PTW Octavius 4D 729, B PTW Octavius 4D 1000 SRS (SRS), and C Dosimetry Check.



a) b) c) Measuring area of PTW OCTAVIUS 4D 729 (a), 1500 (b) and 1000 SRS (c).



A. Bruschi et al. Physica Medica 49 (2018) 129-134

End to end test



End to end test

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End to end test

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Stereotactic body radiation therapy delivery validation

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Single-fraction spine SBRT end-to-end testing on TomoTherapy, Vero, TrueBeam, and CyberKnife treatment platforms using a novel anthropomorphic phantom

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	Ion Chamber			Treatment Platfor	m	
Treatment Plan	Measurement (Gy)	TomoTherapy	Vero	TrueBeam (Flattened)	TrueBeam (FFF)	CyberKnife
Plan A	Calculated Dose	16.5	20.6	16.5	16.3	17.9
	Measured Dose	16.4	21.1	17.0	16.5	18.5
	% Difference	-0.3	2.6	3.1	1.4	3.0
Plan B	Calculated Dose	16.6	20.8	16.4	16.5	21.8
	Measured Dose	16.6	21.5	16.3	16.6	22.4
	% Difference	0.0	3.2	-0.3	0.6	2.4
Plan D	Calculated Dose	16.2	21.2	16.0	16.2	20.4
	Measured Dose	16.5	21.5	16.1	16.3	20.6
	% Difference	2.2	1.4	0.6	0.8	0.7



A national dosimetry audit for stereotactic ablative radiotherapy in lung

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External Audit



Examining credentialing criteria and poor performance indicators for IROC Houston's anthropomorphic head and neck phantom

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Treatment Planning System Calculation Errors Are Present in the Majority of IROC-Houston Phantom Failures

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	Phantom	H&N	Liver insert	Lung	Prostate	Spine
QA phantom program key findings over	Irradiations	2052	165	1109	566	336
the past 15 years	Pass	1755 (86%)	120 (73%)	921 (83%)	484 (86%)	261 (78%)
💮 🗐 🕅 🚺	Fail	297	45	188	82	75
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Take home messages

- SBRT requires high level of accuracy in all phases of the treatment process
- QC for each phase of the SBRT process are foundamental
- The high level of accuracy is achieved by applying tight tolerances
- E2E tests detect errors, improve dose delivery accuracy and provide confidence
- Partecipation in external Audits is very effective to guarantee patient safety

Outline (2)

• In-vivo dosimetry: introduction and definitions



• Real time in vivo dosimetry

Definitions

- In-vivo Dosimetry (IVD): any measure performed during therapy that enable an estimation of actual dose absorbed by patient.
- Aim of IVD: to establish if the difference between planned and measured dose is within a tolerance level Δ .
- IVD quasi real time: results are available just after the fraction, errors detected can be corrected in the next fractions.
- IVD real time: results are available during the treatment, the treatment can be stopped before fraction is compromised



• Correct clinical relevant errors $(\Delta > 5\%)$

Measure the overall accuracy and reproducibility of treatment



Errors in modern radiotherapy

Failure mode	n	Example cause
Wrong isocenter information	56	Error in the localization of the coordinate system in the CT scan or treatment plan. Leading to an incorrect setup to the treatment isocenter.
Patient misalignment during treatment	48	Patient incorrectly positioned for treatment.
Error in CT data	30	Error in CT scan data used for planning. For example, wrong breathing scan used for planning.
Missing or incorrect documentation	16	Missing or incorrect information about prior patient treatments, or no approval of plan by physician or physicist.
Prescription error	15	Error in plans fractionation, location or total dose.
Error in planning	11	Error in field parameters made during planning stage.
Corrupted plan	10	An element of the plan incorrectly modified during data transfer.
Incorrect contouring	9	Portion of contour missing or incorrect volume used for planning.
Patient health status miscommunication	7	Adverse health condition not communicated that led to issues in treatment.
Unclear clinical directive	5	Unclear instructions/objectives associated with treatment. \longrightarrow Clinical 5%
Scheduling error	5	Error in scheduling patient that resulted in a significant delay of treatment.
Movement on table	4	Patient movement on the table during treatment.
Personnel could not be contacted	3	Personnel could not be reached to check patient or approve plan.
Treatment machine error	3	A change in the machine output or a failure of machine component during beam delivery.
Record and verify system error	2	Crash in the record and verify system stopping treatment.
Error in field delivery	2	Unintended fields delivered to patient during treatment. \longrightarrow Delivery 2%
Wrong or faulty equipment used	2	Incorrect or damaged equipment used.
Physics calculation error	1	Miscalculation of treatment parameters. Physics calculation 0.3%

Bojechko et al Med. Phys. 42 (9), September 2015

IVD vs pre-treatment QA



Pre-treatment QA

In vivo Dosimetry



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Transmission 2d dosimeters



- Transmission QA systems place an array of detectors between the collimated beam and patient
- They allow intra-fraction measurement of machine parameters during treatment
- A tray factor should be considered in TPS

Transmission 2d dosimeters-Clinical results

37 patients 80 channel system Δ =3% for warning Δ =5% for alarm



2 case exceeded 3%

Case1: decalibrated upper collimator block. Case2: plan was re-imported into the R&V system a few segments was lost

Poppe et al. Radiotherapy and Oncology 95 (2010) 158–165

EPID transit dosimetry



Exit fluence projected on EPID

Comparison predicted signal vs actual signal

EPID signal Backprojected on patient CT

Comparison TPS e measured dose

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EPID transit dosimetry

System	Algorithm	Dose	Test
Renner et al. 2003*	Backprojection	Dose 3d	DVH, Gamma
Piermattei et al. 2006*	Backprojection	Iso Dose	Iso Dose diff
van Elmpt el al. 2007*	Backprojection	Dose 2d/3d	Gamma 3%/3mm, DVH
Francois et al. 2011*	Backprojection	Iso Dose	Dose diff
Berry et al. 2012	Projection	Dose EPID	Gamma 3%/3mm
Fuandrog et al. 2013 §	Projection	Dose EPID	Gamma 3%, 3mm
Bedford et al. 2014	Projection	Dose EPID	Gamma 3%/3mm
Mc Cowan et al. 2015	Backprojection	Dose 3d	Gamma 3%/3mm
Yoon et al. 2016	Projection	4d Dose EPID	Gamma 3%3mm
Spreeuw et al. 2016 §	Backprojection	Dose 3d	DVH PTV

* Commercial system § Real time systems

In phantom accuracy

System	Test	Homogeneous	Inhomogeneous
Renner et al. 2003	Dose Iso	< 3.5% *	<10% * (<3.5%)
Piermattei et al 2006	Dose Iso	< 5%	NV
van Elmpt el al 2007	Dose Iso	<1%	<5% (<1%)
Francois et al 2011	Dose Iso	<5% *	<10% * (<5%)
Berry et al 2012	Gamma 3%/3mm	>95%	>95%
Fuandrog 2013 §	Gamma 3-4%, 3-4mm	>86%-89%	NV
Bedford 2014	Gamma 3%/3mm	>90%	>90%
Mc Cowan et al. 2015	Gamma 3%/3mm	>94%	>94%
Yoon et al. 2016	Gamma 3%3mm	>92%	>92%
Spreeuw et al.2016 §	Dose Iso	<1%	<5% (<1%)

* Independent measure § Real time system

Clinical results EPID (1)

Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Hospital, Amsterdam: van Elmpt el al 2007 15076 plans between 2012 e il 2014: 30% out of tolerance 1/407 plans contained clinically significant errors

Table 1 Current clinical alert criteria for the dose difference at the DRP and for the 3D γ evaluation (3%/3 mm) within the 50% isodose surface

Treatment site	DRP dose difference (%)	Mean y	γ pass rate (%)	1% γ
Most	3.0	0.5	85	2.0
Head and neck/rectum/gynecology	4.0	0.7	80	2.5
Breast	3.0	1.4	50	5.0

3D, 3-dimensional; DRP, dose reference point.

Error type	Count
TPS dose calculation VMAT	12
TPS dose calculation IMRT	2
Anatomy change	14
Patient positioning	2
Suboptimal setup verification protocol	1
Imperfect bolus material placement	1
TPS: density override on contrast forgotten	1
Problem with 4D CT	1
Plan transfer error	1
Total	35

Treatment site	No. of verified	No. of alerted	% alerted	Unknown	External	Patient	Model
	plans	plans	plans				
Bone metastasis	991	100	10	20	44	24	30
Brain:							
Total	268	87	32	21	12	1	62
Hypofractionated	131	32	27	12	0	0	24
Conventional fractionation	137	55	47	9	12	1	38
Breast (including thoracic wall)	1188	442	37	15	226	217	386
Gastroenterology (excluding rectum and esophagus)	73	17	23	2	4	11	2
Gynecology	121	32	26		11	13	12
Head and neck	437	183	42	29	98	57	53
Lung:							
Total	570	203	36	35	2	112	71
Hypofractionated	160	58	36	10	0	31	17
Conventional fractionation	410	145	35	25	2	81	54
Lymphoma	103	29	28	5	6	12	17
Esophagus	69	25	36	5	0	17	6
Other	355	88	25	13	17	41	32
Prostate	379	99	26	16	51	39	9
Rectum:							
Total	180	31	17	4	3	11	16
Hypofractionated	96	17	19	2	2	6	9
Conventional fractionation	84	14	15	2	1	5	7
Sarcoma	51	29	57	5	10	11	12
Urology (excluding prostate)	94	23	24	1	5	13	7
Total	4879	1388	28	171	489	579	715

 Table 3
 Number of plans verified in 2013 by means of 3D transit dosimetry and the classification of the alerted plans

Clinical results EPID (2)

Cancer Care Manitoba: Mc Cowan el al 2017 117 SBRT patients.

Tolerance level =85% PTV (D>20% Prescription Dose) Gamma (3%G/3mm)<1

After EPID acquisition optimization out of tolerance cases decreased from 22% to 8%

Table 2	Flagged alert level results for group 2 of the lung SBRT patients									
Patient number	Identified error description for flagged Fx	Flagged Fx count	Total Fx	Flagged Fx	Lost Fx (EPID)	% Flagged Fx's				
49	Fx1 (immob, roll, & trans)	1	284	20	34	8.0%				
51	Fx3 (immob)	1								
52	Fx1 (roll), Fx2 (pitch & trans)	2								
54	Fx1 (roll), Fx2 (roll), Fx3 (roll)	3								
56	All – algorithmic	8								
65	Fx4 (trans), Fx5 (immob), Fx6 (immob), Fx7 (roll)	1								
88	Fx3 (roll), Fx4 (roll)	2								
89	Fx3, Fx4 (near diaphragm)	2								

Abbreviations as in Table 1.

Clinical results EPID (3)

- Working group of AIFM about EPID in vivo dosimetry
- Multicentric evaluation:
- 1) Systems used
- 2) Test evaluated
- 3) Tolerance levels set
- 4) Number of patients evaluated
- 5) Number of test out of tolerance
- 6) Identification of errors

Up to now 7 centers (3 commercial systems) 12000 evaluations about 2000 patients

Dosimetry Check USL Firenze VMAT SBRT & VMAT Test ΔCTV mean dose, Tolerance 5%. All the Tests were carried out using optimized patient setup (CBCT)

Technique	Anatomical site	Р	т	T/P	T out of tolerance	T% out of tolerance	T (and T%) Incorrect set up	T (and T%) Device Immobilization	T (and T%) incorrect computation	T (and T%) Anatomical variations	T (and T%) unknown causes
VMAT SBRT	Abdomen / pelvis	50	83	1.7	20	24%	5 (6%)	4 (5%)			11 (13%)
VMAT SBRT	lung	31	139	4.5	17	12%	7 (5%)		2 (1%)		8 (6%)
VMAT	Head and Neck	23	100	4.3	14	14%		5 (5%)		9 (9%)	
TOTAL		104	322	3.1	51	17%	4%	3%	1%	3%	6%

DOSIMETRY CHECK was also used in the center of PIACENZA for 77 PATIENTS WITH 94 TESTS. THE RESULTS WERE CONSISTENT WITH THOSE OF FIRENZE.

Per Fraction Candiolo Torino VMAT

Test ΔPTV mean dose, Tolerance 3%. All the Tests were carried out using optimized patient setup (CBCT)

Technique	Anatomical site	Р	т	T/P	T out of tolerance	T% out of tolerance	T (and T%) Incorrect set up	T (and T%) Device Immobilization	T (and T%) Machine depending	T (and T%) Anatomical variations	T (and T%) unknown causes
VMAT	Prostate	16	159	9.9	22	14%	6 (4%)			16 (10%)	
VMAT	Abdomen /pelvis	8	74	9.3	9	12%	3 (4%)				6 (8%)
VMAT	Lung+ mediast.	10	54	5.4	25	46%	6 (11%)			19 (35%)	
VMAT	Breast	9	46	5.1	5	11%	5 (11%)				
VMAT	Head and Neck	5	49	9.8	8	16%	8 (16%)				
VMAT	Brain	3	35	11.7	0	0%					
VMAT	Palliative	25	135	5.4	8	6%				1 (1%)	7 (5%)
TOTAL		76	552	7.3	77	14%	5%			7%	2%

IN CONCLUSION DOSIMETRY CHECK IN ITALY WAS APPLIED ON:

181 PATIENTS WITH 416 TESTS

AND PER FRACTION WAS APPLIED ON:

76 PATIENTS WITH 552 TESTS

SOFTDISO USED AT ROME FOR 823 PATIENTS WITH 11357 TESTS, OBTAINED BY 3 LINACS. 9 PATIENTS/DAY/LINAC THE WORKLOAD WAS 35MIN/DAY/LINAC

SOFTDISO was also used in the center of CHIETI, CHENGDU (CINA), CAMPOBASSO, FOR 523 PATIENTS WITH 11.146 TESTS, OBTAINING RESULTS SIMILAR TO ROME

IN TOTAL IN THE LAST YEARS SOFTDISO WAS USED FOR : 1612 PATIENT WITH 23471 TESTS

SOFTDISO Gemelli Roma VMAT

Warning message if at least one off tolerance of: R (Diso), y%, ymean indexes. All the Tests were carried out using optimized patient setup (CBCT or VPI / DRR)

Anatomical site and tolerance	Р	T (per beam)	~T/P	T out of tolerance	T% out of tolerance	T (and T%) Incorrect set up	T (and T%) Device Immobilization	T (and T%) incorrect computation	T (and T%) Anatomical variations	T (and T%) unknown causes
Breast (5%, 5mm)	7	118	17	14	12%	10 (8%)	4 (3%)			
Torax (5%, 5mm)	37	474	13	43	9%	23 (5%)	20 (4%)			
Abdomen (5%, 5mm)	65	875	13	70	8%	41 (5%)	20 (2%)		9 (1%)	
Pelvis (5%, 5mm)	263	3855	15	231	6%	190 (5%)	41 (1%)			
H&N (3%, 3mm)	80	1462	18	44	3%	32 (2%)	12 (1%)			
Brain (3%, 3mm)	31	451	15	9	2%	7 (2%)	2 (0%)			
TOTAL	483	7235	15	411	5.7%	4.2%	1.4%		0.1%	

After the corrections, triggered by at list one index out tolerance (R > 5%, γ % <90% and γ mean >0.4), the mean indexes for single patient were within the tolerance level: R within 5%, γ % ≥ 90%, γ mean< 0.4

SOFTDISO Gemelli Roma 3DCRT

Warning message if at least one off tolerance of: R (Diso), y%, ymean indexes. All the Tests were carried out using optimized patient setup (VPI / DRR)

Anatomical site and tolerance	Р	T (per beam)	~T/P	T out of tolerance	T% out of tolerance	T (and T%) Incorrect set up	T (and T%) Device Immobilization	T (and T%) incorrect computation	T (and T%) Anatomical variations	T (and T%) unknown causes
Breast (5%, 5mm)	198	1718	9	378	22%	210 (12%)	168 (10%)			
Torax (5%, 5mm)	27	505	19	96	19%	56 (11%)	20 (4%)		20 (4%)	
Abdomen (5%, 5mm)	33	579	18	139	24%	84 (15%)	40 (7%)		15 (3%)	
Pelvis (5%, 5mm)	21	511	24	128	25%	101 (20%)	13 (3%)		14 (3%)	
H&N (3%, 3mm)	16	212	13	40	19%	15 (7%)	25 (12%)			
Brain (3%, 3mm)	45	597	13	101	17%	80 (13%)	21 (4%)			
TOTAL	340	4122	12.1	882	21%	13%	7%		1%	

After the corrections triggered by at list one index out tolerance (R > 5%, γ % <90% and γ mean >0.4) the mean indexes for single patient were within the tolerance level: R within 5%, γ % ≥ 90%, γ mean< 0.4

Dose reconstruction methods

- A family of computation methods that allows reconstruction of dose inside planning CT Using information from:
- Linac logfiles, CBCT, online imaging, external tracking systems, EPID.
- Evaluate effect of intra-fraction movements
- Suitable for measuring the tracking accuracy in real time

Dose reconstruction methods



Dose was reconstructed by modeling the motion of a rigid target as multiple isocenter shifts with TPS

Poulsen et al Radiotherapy and Oncology 111 (2014) 424–430

Dose reconstruction methods

Liver VMAT SBRT, 6 patients, 18 fractions

Pt	Motion range (m	ım)	Magnitude of	MV images		KIM rmse in MV i	KIM	CTV	CTV	
	Total LR/CC/AP	Baseline LR/CC/AP	error (mm) LR/CC/AP	Total	% with marker	Parallel to kV mean [max]	Perpendicular to kV mean [max]	rmse (mm)	ΔD ₉₅ (%)	∆D _{mean} (%)
1	3.7/12.7/2.4	0.8/1.1/0.4	1.0/3.0/1.3	2958	23	0.43 [0.50]	0.41 [0.49]	0.28	4.0	1.6
2	2.9/27.1/8.2	0.6/2.1/0.8	1.3/1.0/0.7	4586	3	0.41 [0.61]	0.41 [0.60]	0.28	9.5	5.4
3	5.4/8.8/5.2	1.9/1.1/1.0	1.3/0.6/0.4	3143	32	0.30 [0.35]	0.38 [0.40]	0.38	0.3	0.8
4	5.6/21.1/8.7	0.5/1.5/0.7	0.5/3.0/1.5	-	-	-	-	0.33	6.0	2.2
5	4.7/12.1/7.7	1.2/1.5/1.0	3.1/3.4/1.8	3355	40	0.30 [0.48]	0.67 [0.81]	0.42	11.1	3.0
6	6.2/15.6/6.5	0.5/1.4/0.7	1.1/0.8/1.1	-	-	-	-	0.36	1.0	0.2
All	4.8/16.2/6.4	0.9/1.4/0.8	1.4/2.0/1.1	14042	22	0.36 [0.61]	0.47 [0.81]	0.34	5.3	2.2





Dose reconstruction methods (online)



Ravkilde et al. Med. Phys. 45 (8), August 2018

- Fast dose computation algorithm (accurate in homogeneous media)
- Takes in to account in real time the linac and target movements



Dose reconstruction methods 4d-MRI imaging. The treatment was simulated







Each segment computed with Monte Carlo algorithm taking in to account linac parameters and volume position sampling 40 ms.

Dose was accumulated in a specific temporal phase using DVF

Glitzner et al. Phys. Med. Biol. 60 (2015) 8869-8883



Each segment needs 15 second for computation at 5% variance

Take home messages (2)

- EPID in vivo dosimetry was proven able to intercept and correct clinically relevant errors
- Real time systems are under development and are ready for clinical use
- Dose reconstruction methods can guide online tracking systems