



# OSU Experience with the eFLASH Mobetron

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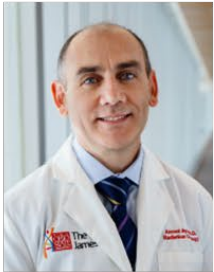


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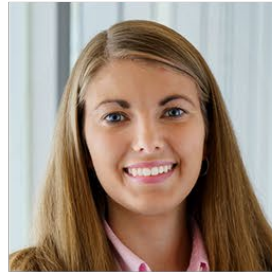
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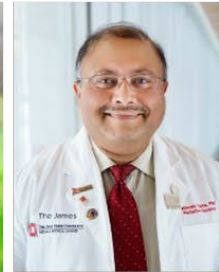
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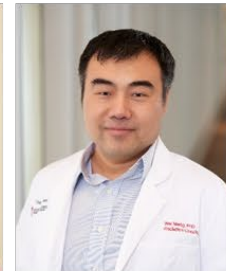
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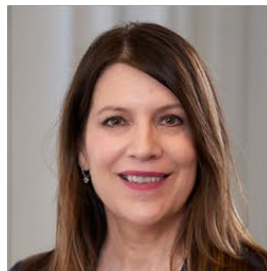
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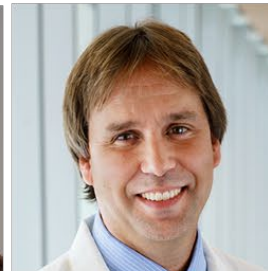
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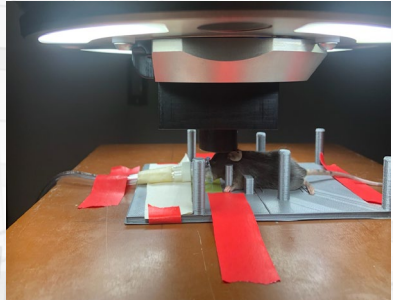
# Timeline for Ohio State's Flash Adventure

IntraOp FLASH Mobetron

2020



Small Animal Research



Varian FLASH Research Extension (FLEX) Toolkit

2022



Proton FLASH with Varian ProBeam

2023

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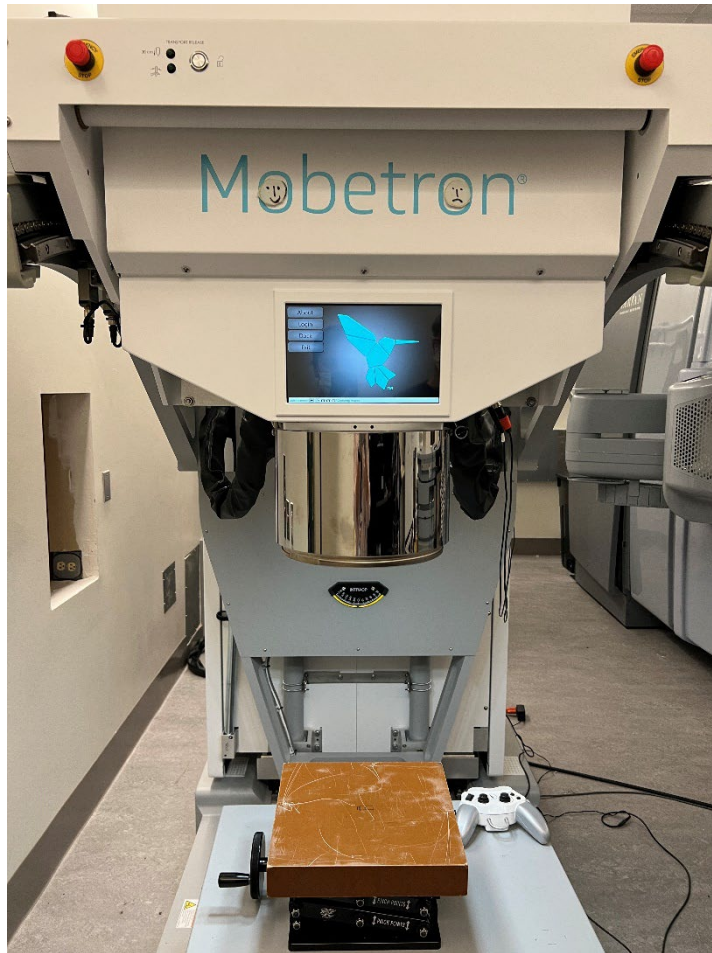
# Contents

- Configuration, Hardware and Collimation
- Dosimetry Tools and Beam Data Acquisition
- UHDR Production and Pulse Parameters
- Stability across pulse parameters
- Summary and needs for standardization



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# IntraOp Mobetron



- X-band Mobile pulsed electron linear accelerator
- IORT Configuration
- 9 MeV Conventional, 9 MeV and 11 MeV UHDR (> 40 Gy/s)
- Standard SSD = 50 cm, cones from 3 cm to 10cm

**Commissioning of an ultra-high dose rate pulsed electron beam medical LINAC for FLASH RT preclinical animal experiments and future clinical human protocols**

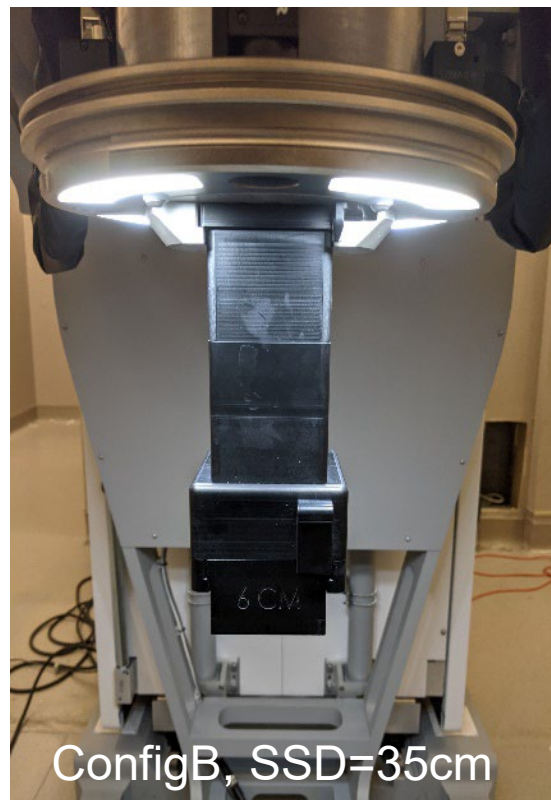
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# eFLASH Mobetron



ConfigA, SSD=18.3cm



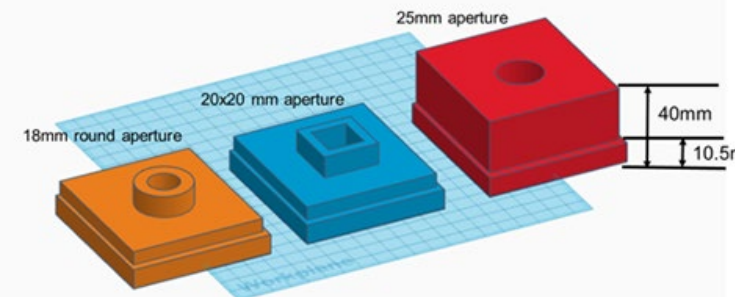
ConfigB, SSD=35cm

Dpp > 8 Gy  
Mean Dose Rate > 500 Gy/s

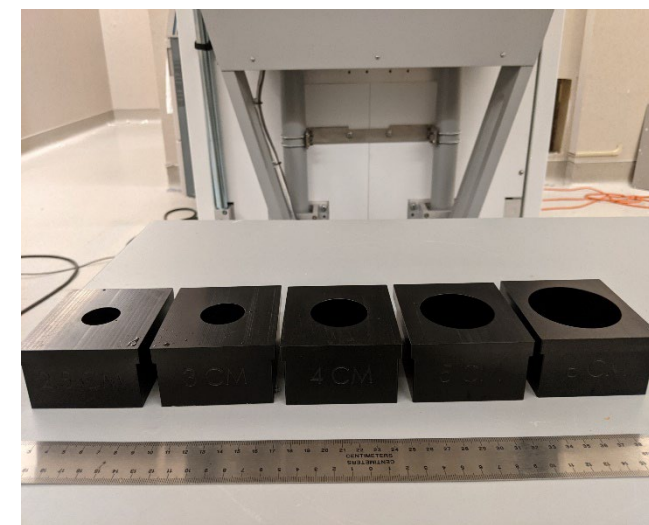
Dpp > 3 Gy  
Mean Dose Rate > 200 Gy/s



## Custom Collimators (2.5 – 6 cm)



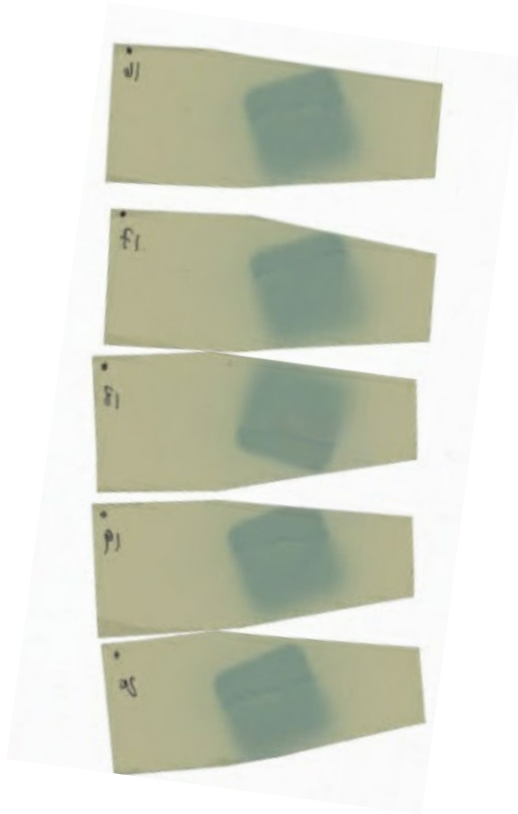
## Standard Collimators (2.5 – 6 cm)



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# Dosimetry

EBT-XD Film



Alanine



Adv Markus



ACCT



In-Air ACCT

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# Alanine Dosimetry

- Electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) dosimetry system

$\alpha$ -alanine:  $\text{CH}_3\text{-CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{-COOH}$   
*dosimetric material*

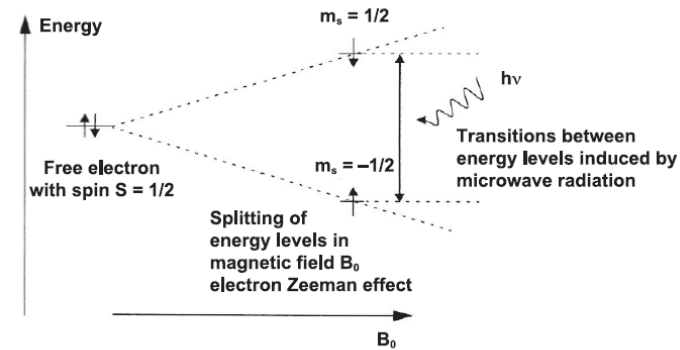


FIG. 1. Zeeman effect is described by a splitting of energetic levels when applying an external magnetic field  $B_0$ . In the case of an electron, two energetic levels are created with a difference of energy depending on  $B_0$ . An electron can change energetic level by absorption of a photon with corresponding energy  $h\nu$ .

- Stable signal
- Wide dose range (1Gy – 100 kGy)
- Linear dose dependence
- Dose per pulse independent



Commissioning and User Experience with Alanine Dosimetry System

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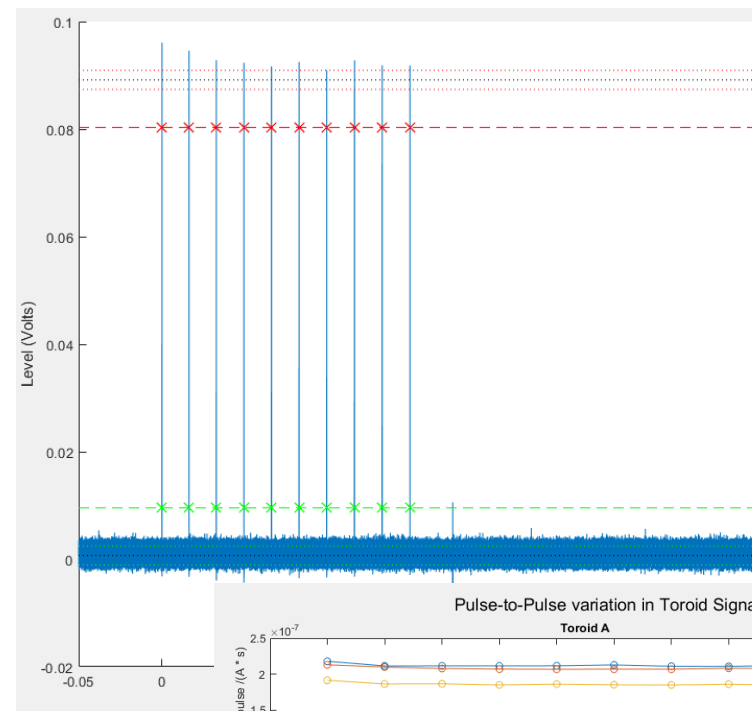
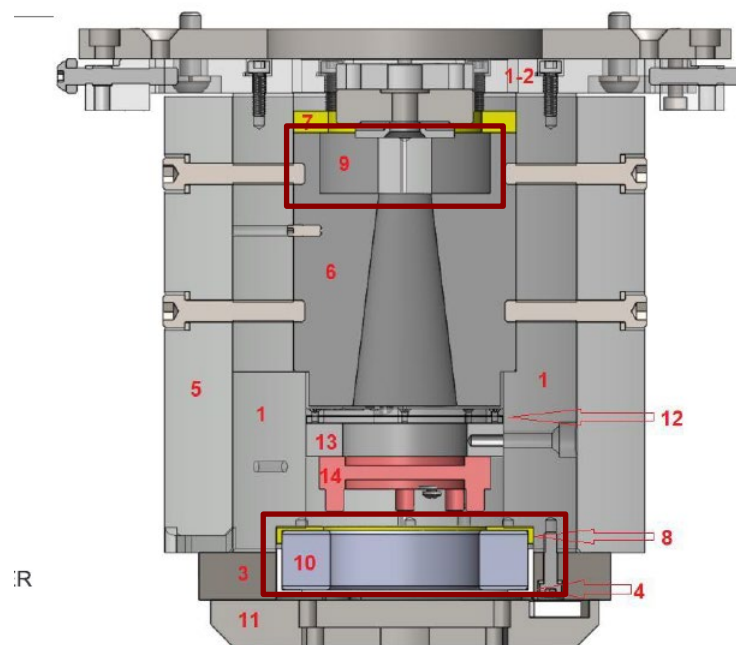




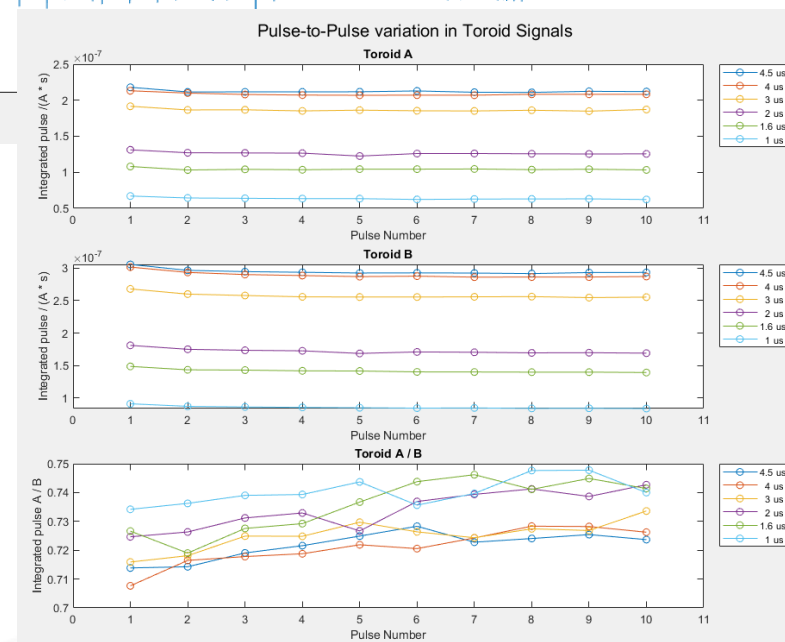
# ACCTs



In-Air ACCT



- measure induced current of electrons passing through them.
- can be used for characterization and verification of pulse parameters
- fast instantaneous response can be used for active dosimetry.



Implementation and validation of a beam-current transformer on a medical pulsed electron beam LINAC for FLASH-RT beam monitoring

[Correction\(s\) for this article](#)

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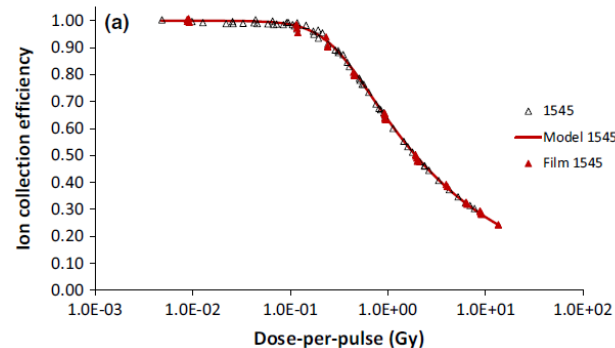
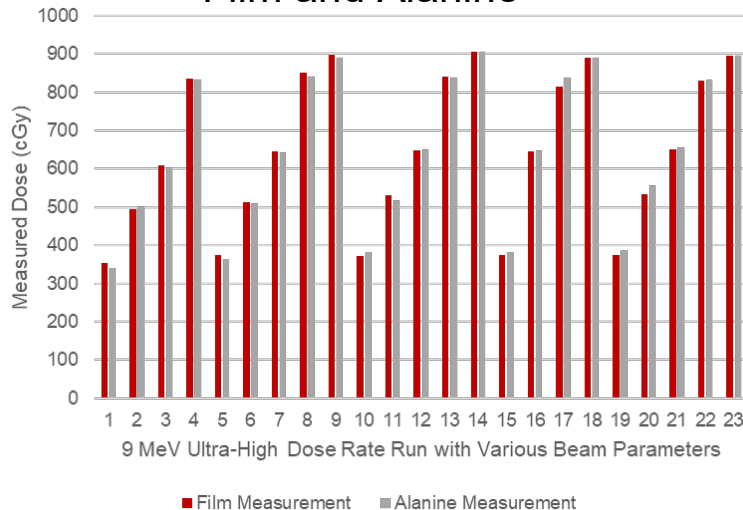
Dual beam-current transformer design for monitoring and reporting of electron ultra-high dose rate (FLASH) beam parameters

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# Dosimeter Cross Comparison

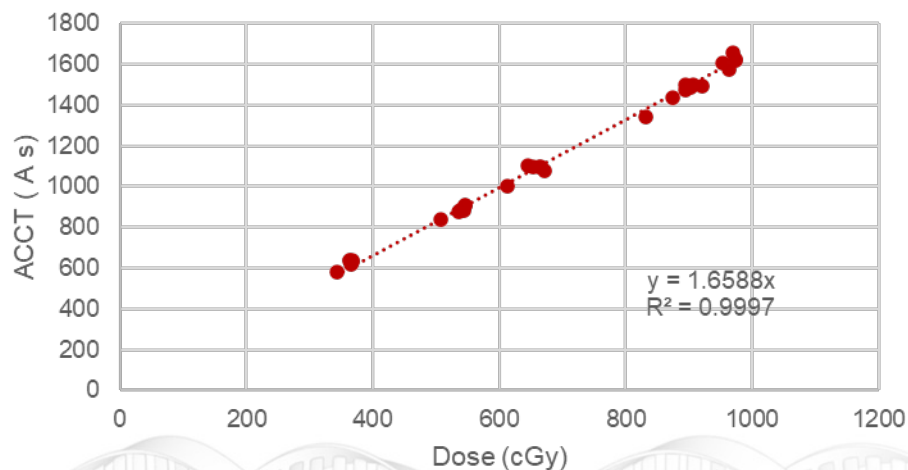
## Film and Alanine



## High dose-per-pulse electron beam dosimetry - A model to correct for the ion recombination in the Advanced Markus ionization chamber

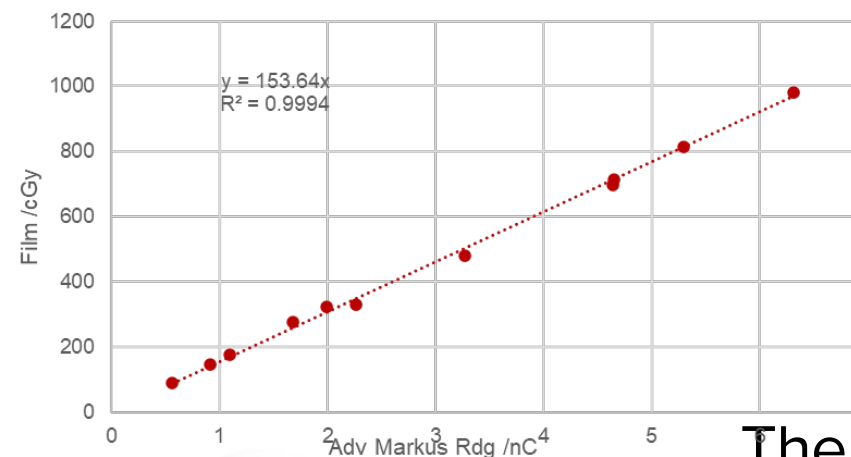
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## Film Dose Vs ACCT Accumulated Charge



## Film and Adv Markus @ Extended SSD

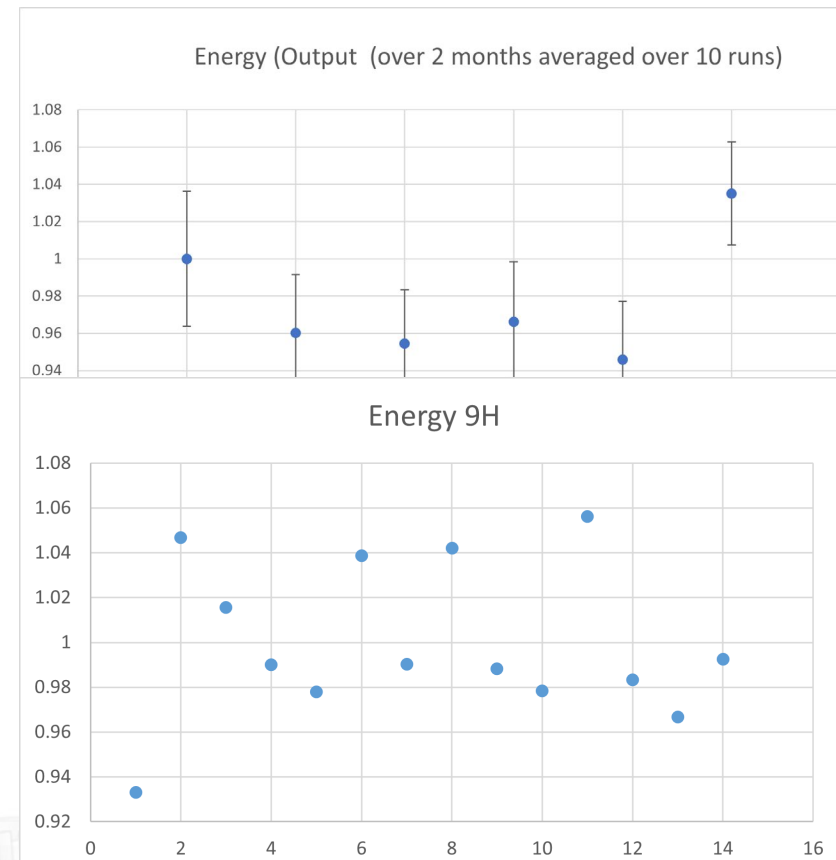
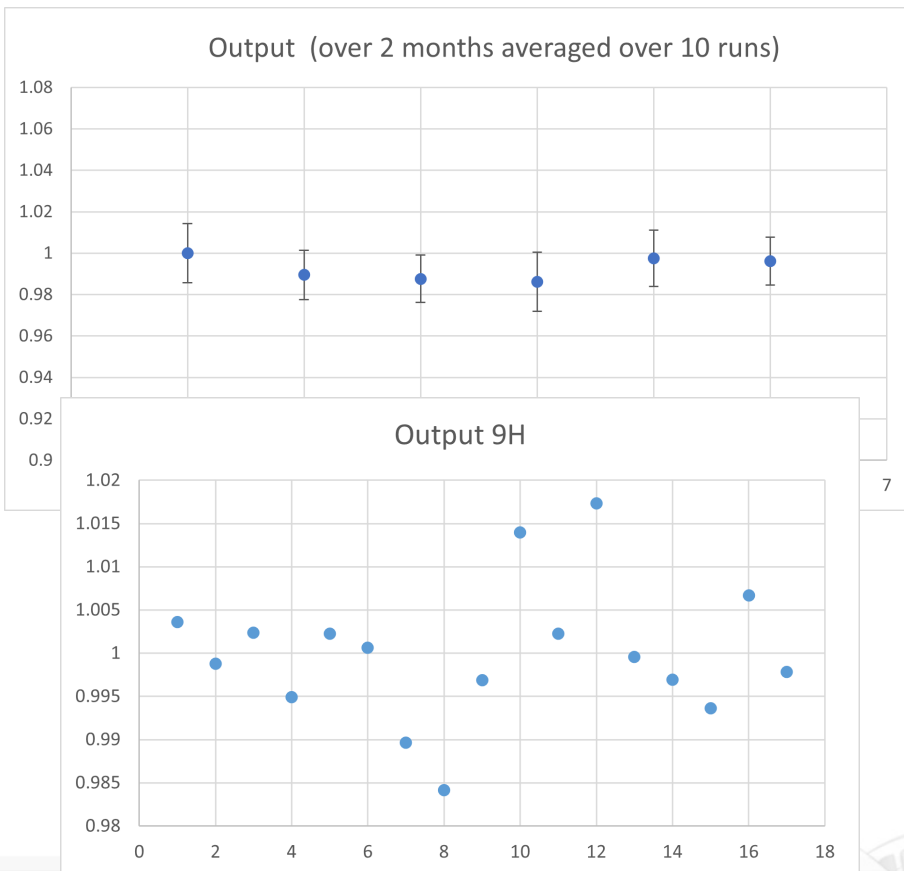
### Film vs Adv Markus



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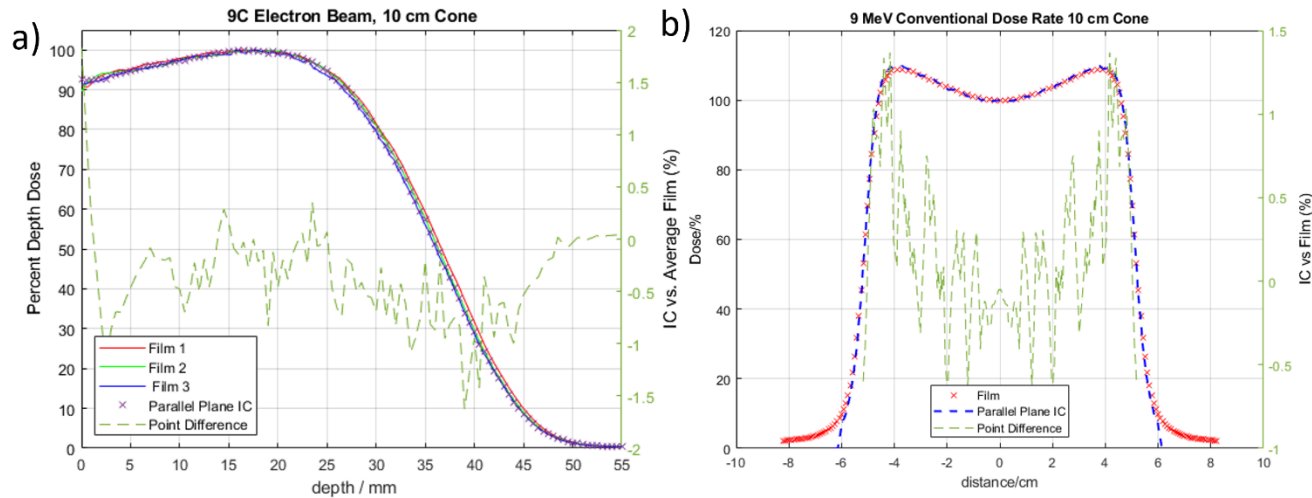
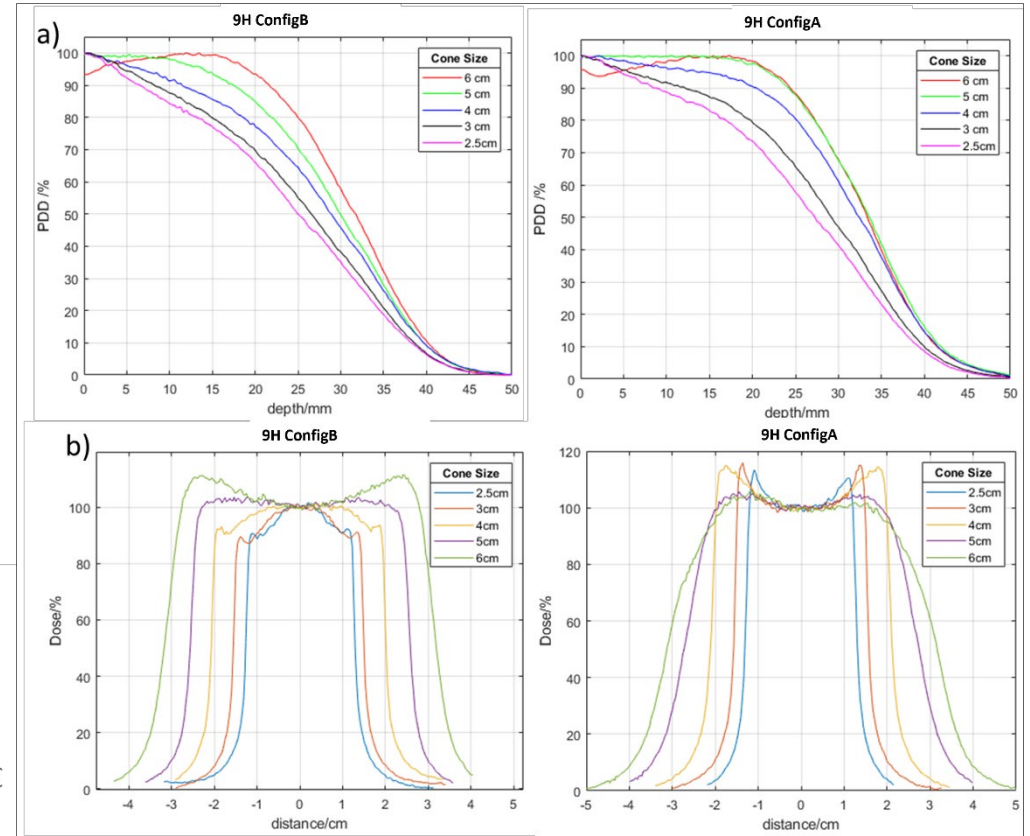
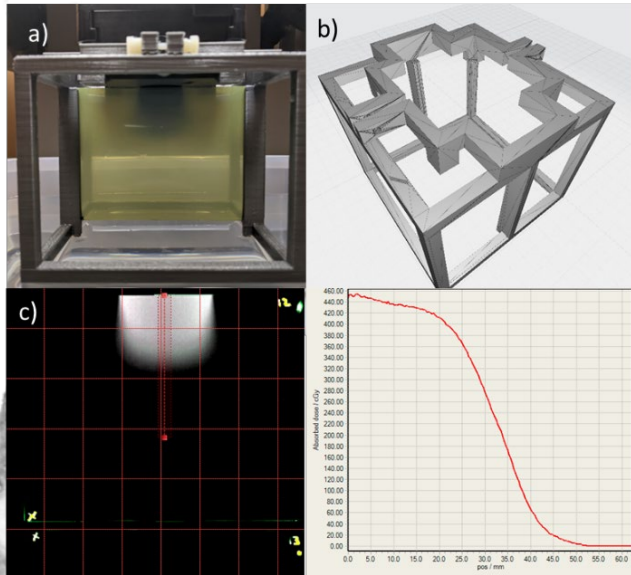
# Daily output stability tests

- Extended SSD ~ 100 cm on the laser device
- 2000 MU warmup, 1us PW @ dmax for output, 3cm depth for energy



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# UHDR Beam Data Acquisition with Film



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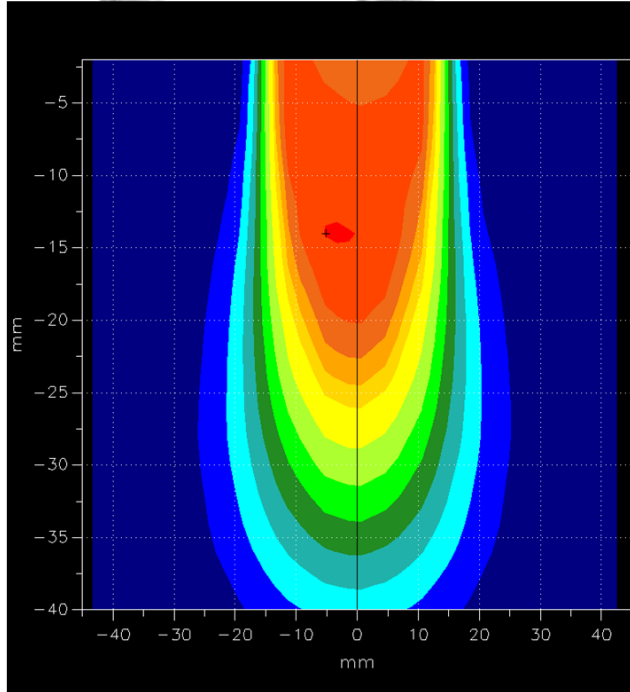
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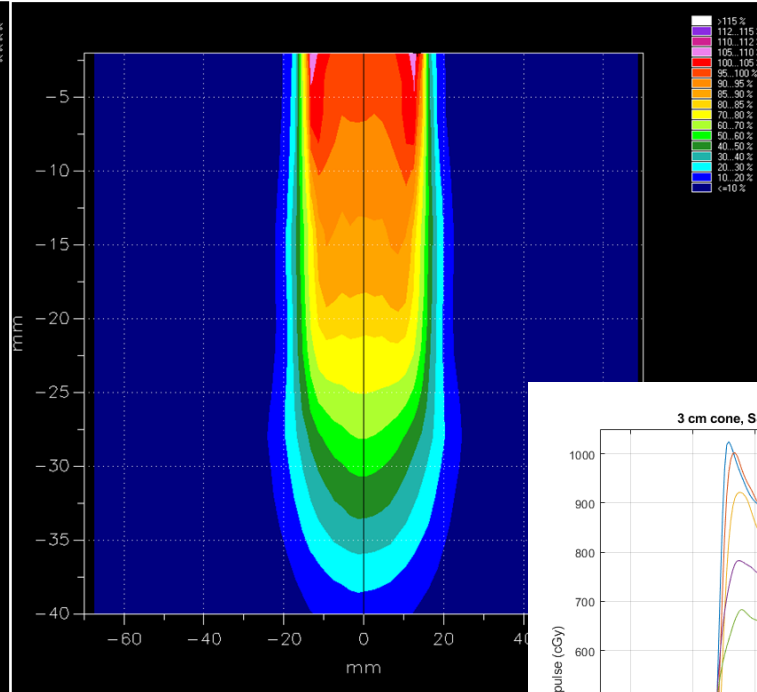
# Dose distribution considerations

9MeV 50cm SSD 3cm Cone

9UHDR 18.3cm SSD 3cm Cone



Clinical Configuration

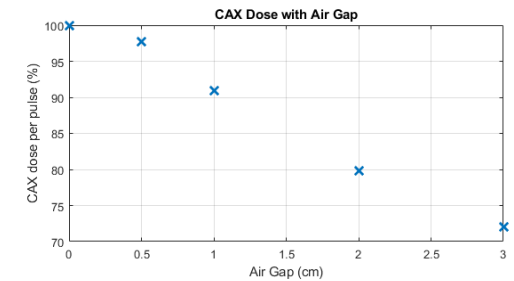
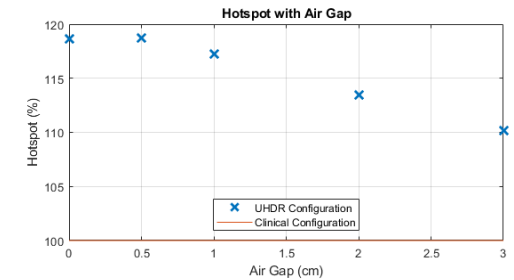
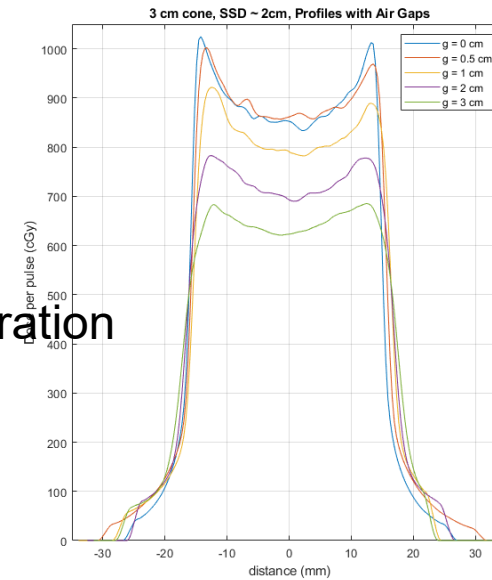


Max DPP Configuration

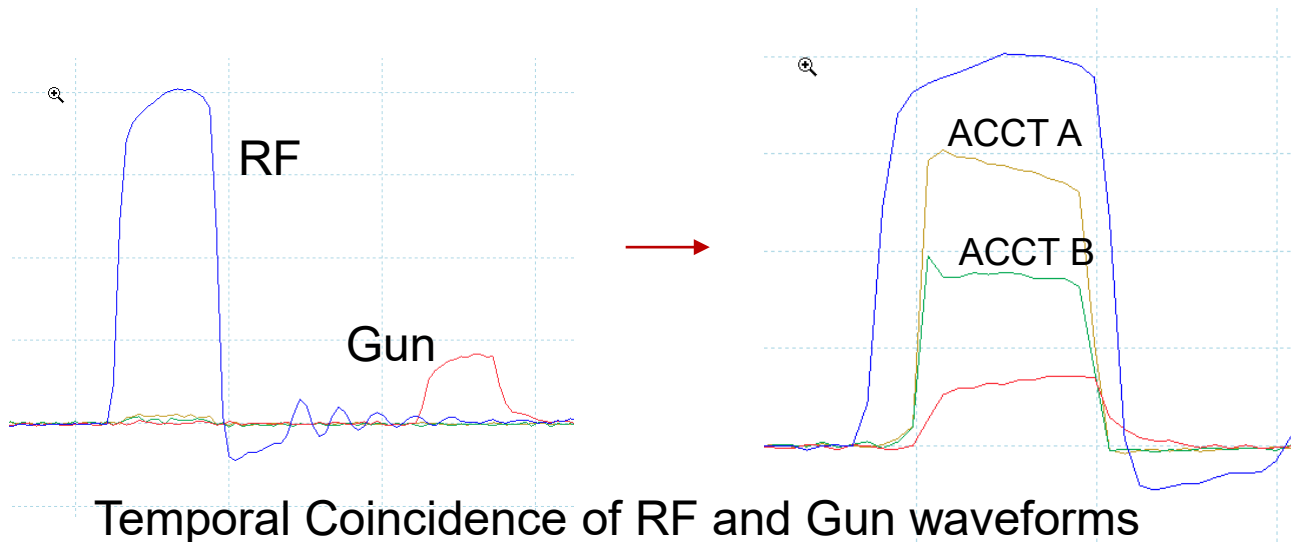
**E-FLASH Dose Distribution considerations for designing Clinical Trials**

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# Mobetron UHDR delivery

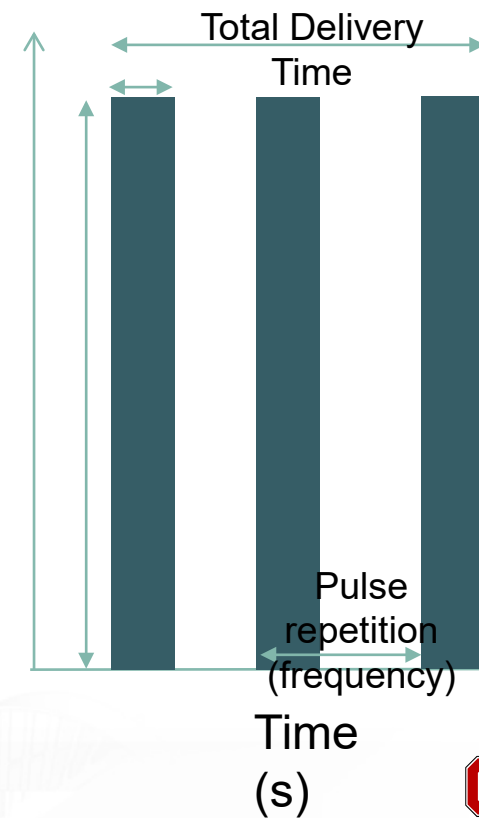


$$\text{Pulse Duration (s)} \times \text{Dose Rate (Gy/s)} = \text{Dose-per-pulse (Gy)}$$

$$\text{Dose-per-pulse (Gy)} \times \text{Number of Pulses} = \text{Total Dose (Gy)}$$

$$\text{Total Dose (Gy)} / \text{Total Delivery Time} = \text{Mean Dose Rate (Gy/s)}$$

Dose Rate (Gy/s)

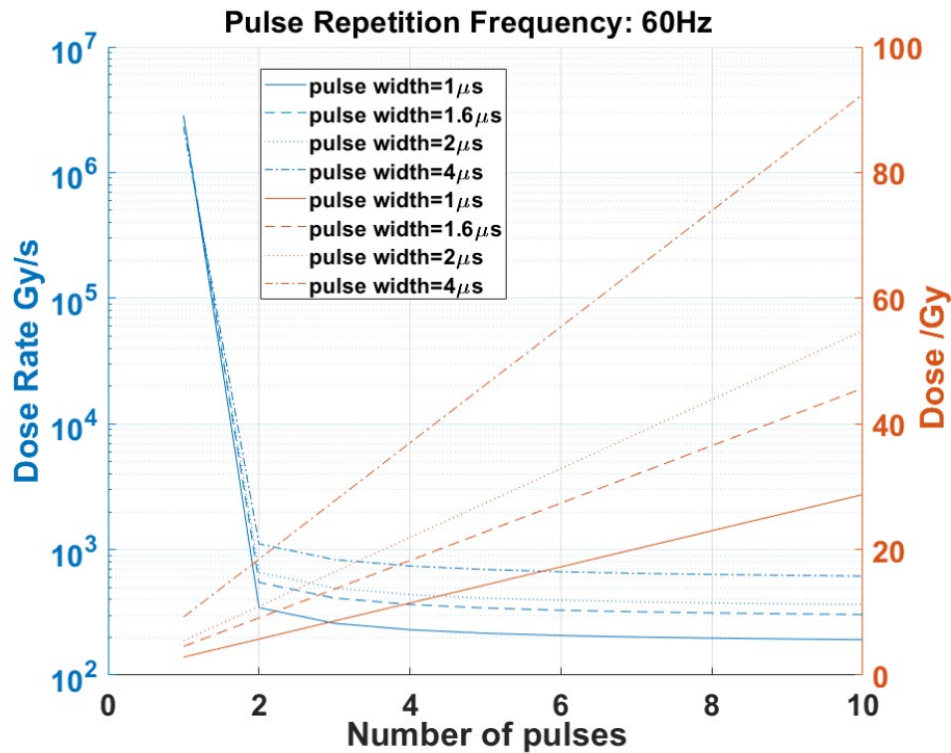


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# Dose and Dose Rate Interdependence

$D (Gy) = N * DPP (60 Hz, 4 \mu s) * PWF * g (cone, SSD)$

$$\dot{D} \left( \frac{Gy}{s} \right) = \frac{D (Gy)}{\frac{N - 1}{PRF (Hz)} + PW (\mu s)}$$



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DOSE /Gy				DOSE RATE / Gy/s										
9H Dpp /Gy /Aus	nominal pw	multip.	PRF	PW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2.42	4	1.00030868	60	2.40766	2.42	4.84	7.26	9.68	12.10	14.52	16.95	19.37	21.79	24.21
	3	0.93286003		2.3292	2.26	4.52	6.77	9.03	11.29	13.55	15.80	18.06	20.32	22.58
	2	0.72337397		1.75198	1.75	3.50	5.25	7.00	8.75	10.50	12.25	14.00	15.76	17.51
	1.6	0.58695978		1.43711	1.42	2.84	4.26	5.68	7.10	8.52	9.94	11.36	12.78	14.20
	1	0.4201916		1	1.02	2.03	3.05	4.07	5.08	6.10	7.12	8.13	9.15	10.17

DOSE /Gy												DOSE RATE / Gy/s							
9H Dpp /Gy /Aus	pw	multip.	PRF	PW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
7.72	4	1.00030868	60	2.40766	7.7	15.4	23.2	30.9	38.6	46.3	54.0	61.8	69.5	77.2					
	3	0.93286003		2.3292	7.2	14.4	21.6	28.8	36.0	43.2	50.4	57.6	64.8	72.0					
	2	0.72337397		1.75198	5.58	11.2	16.7	22.3	27.9	33.5	39.1	44.7	50.2	55.8					
	1.6	0.58695978		1.43711	4.5	9.1	13.6	18.1	22.7	27.2	31.7	36.2	40.8	45.3					
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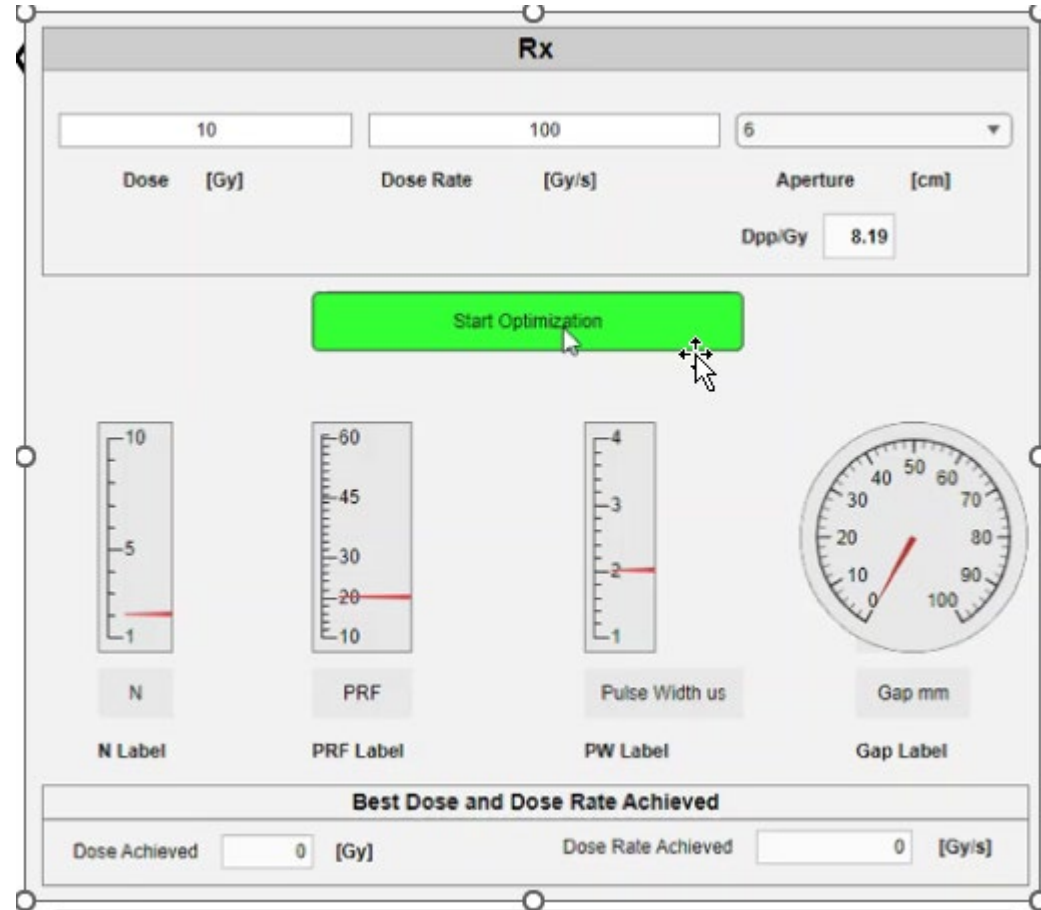
  

DOSE /Gy												DOSE RATE / Gy/s							
Conventional	Output	dmax																	
35 Config, 6cm	1.467	surface																	

Formalism:  $D(PW, PRF) = DPP(Aus, Hz) * \# pulses * \frac{Charge (PW, PRF)}{Charge (Aus, 60Hz)}$

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# Optimizer Demo



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Development of a Software Tool for FLASH Dose and Dose Rate Optimization for IntraOp Mobetron

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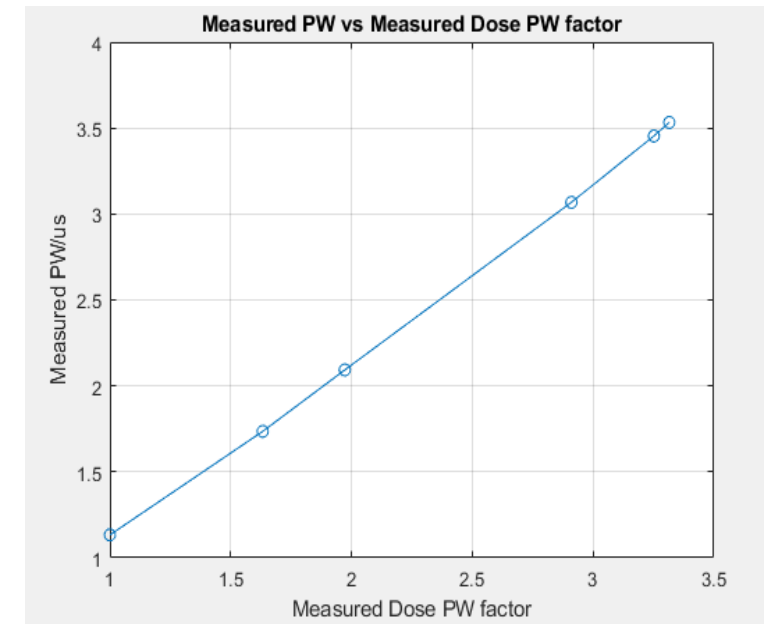
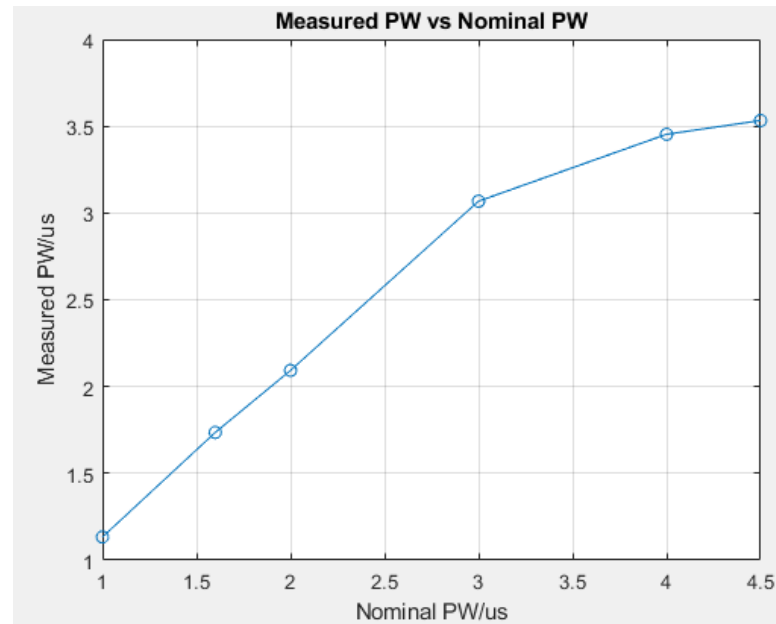
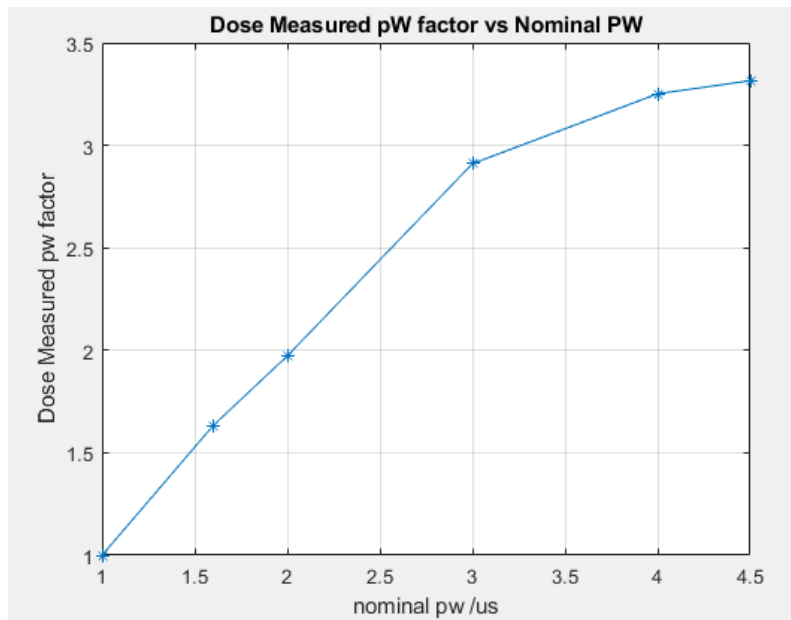
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# Characterizing PW



- Nominal PW (labels on the dial) does not necessarily correspond to Measured PW
- Consequently, change in dose is not linear with change in nominal PW



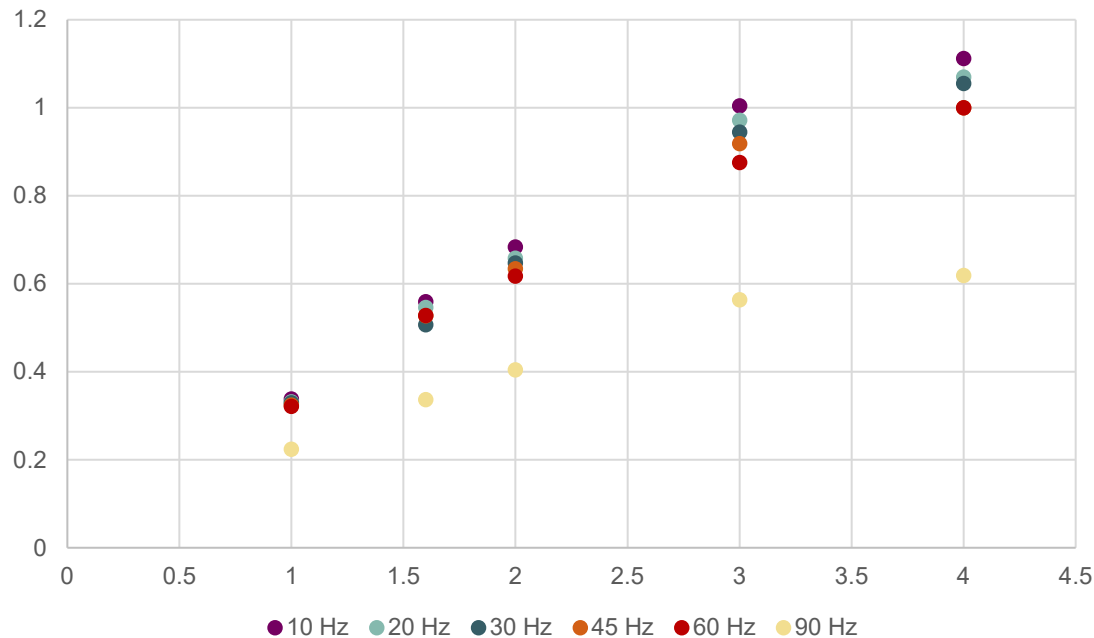
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# Standardization in Pulse Parameters

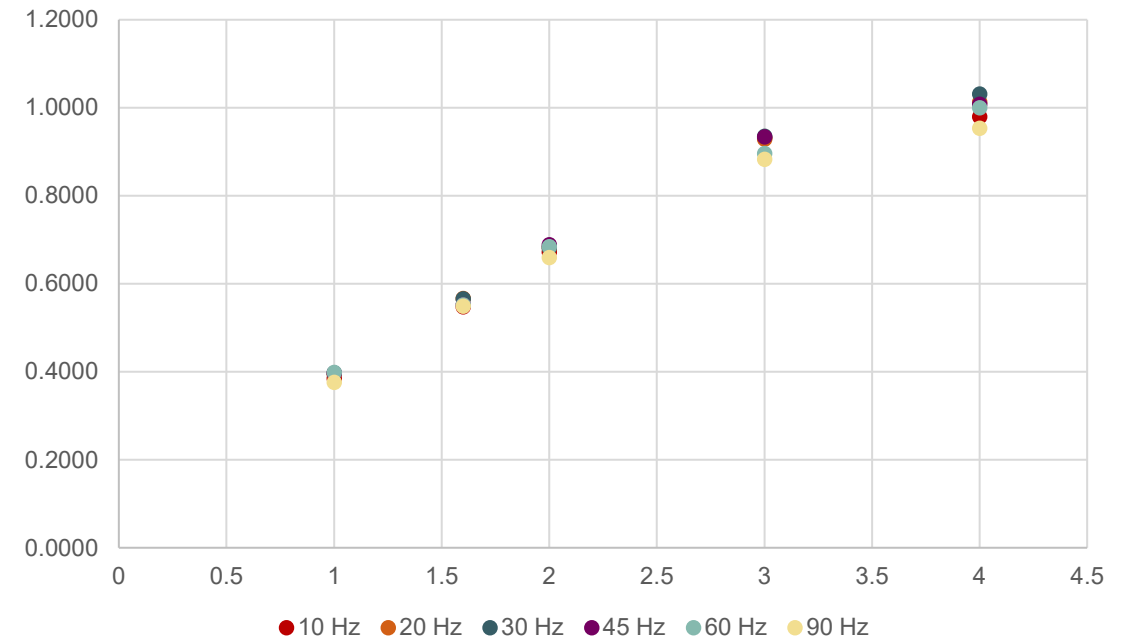
- initially saw change in Dpp with PRF and drop in the last pulse for 90 Hz. Worked with vendor to achieve better stability across PRFs.

$$\text{Pulse Width Factor} = \frac{\text{Dose @ PW, PRF}}{\text{Dose @ 4}\mu\text{s, 60 Hz}}$$

PW Factors over all PW and PRFs



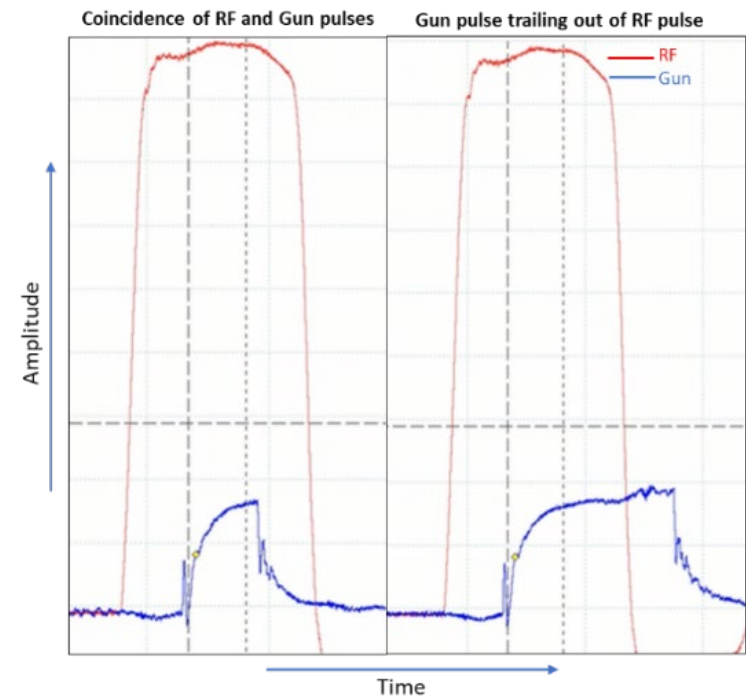
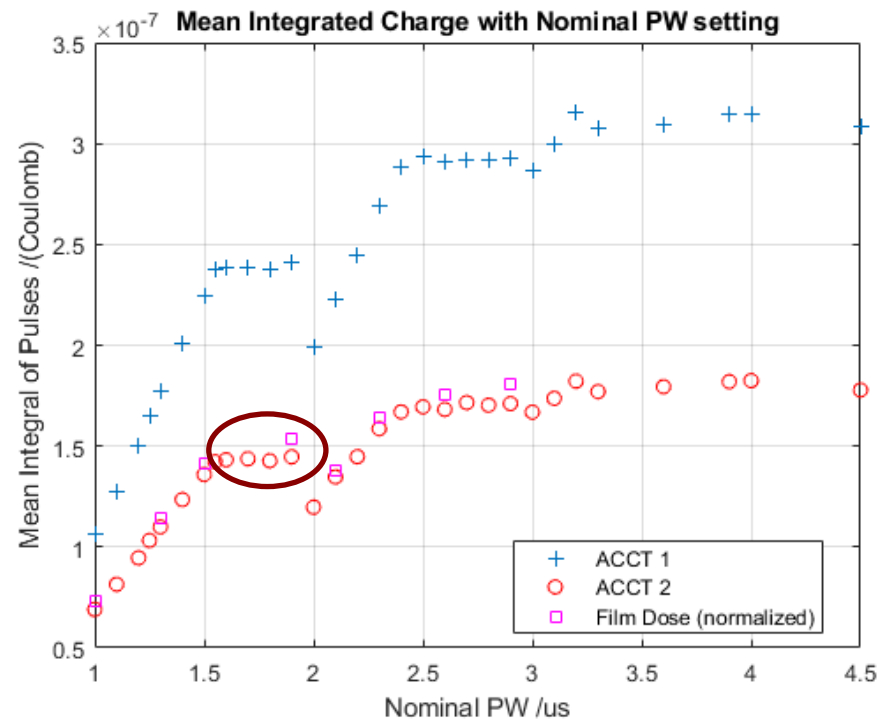
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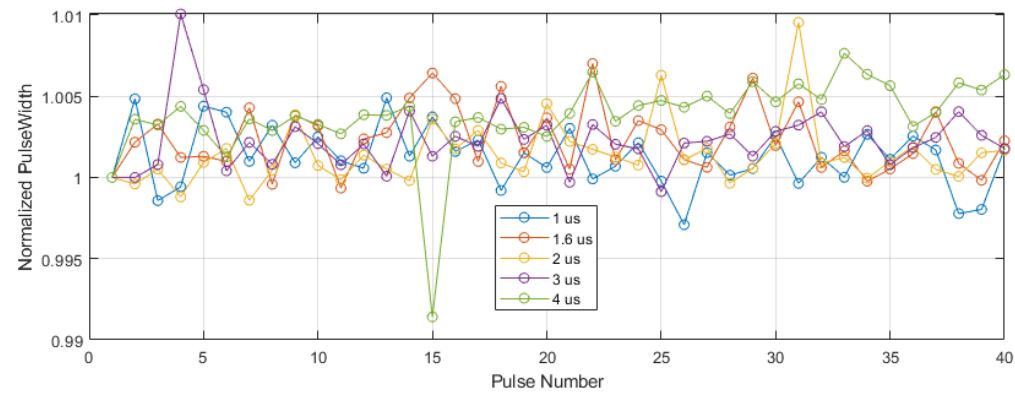
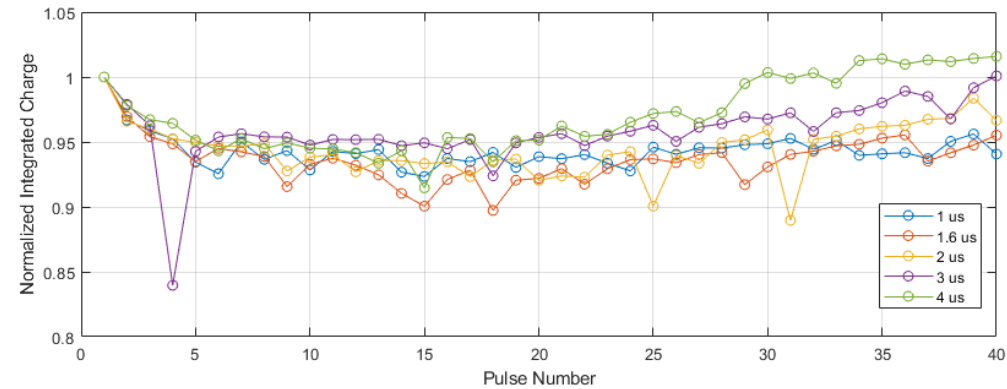
# Variable PW Adjuster

- There is now also the ability to fine tune output by changing the pulse width.
- We characterized the response of this device with ACCTs



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# Pulse-to-Pulse Stability



## EVALUATION OF THE INTRAOP MOBETRON PULSE-TO-PULSE VARIATION WITH INDUCTIVE CURRENT SENSING

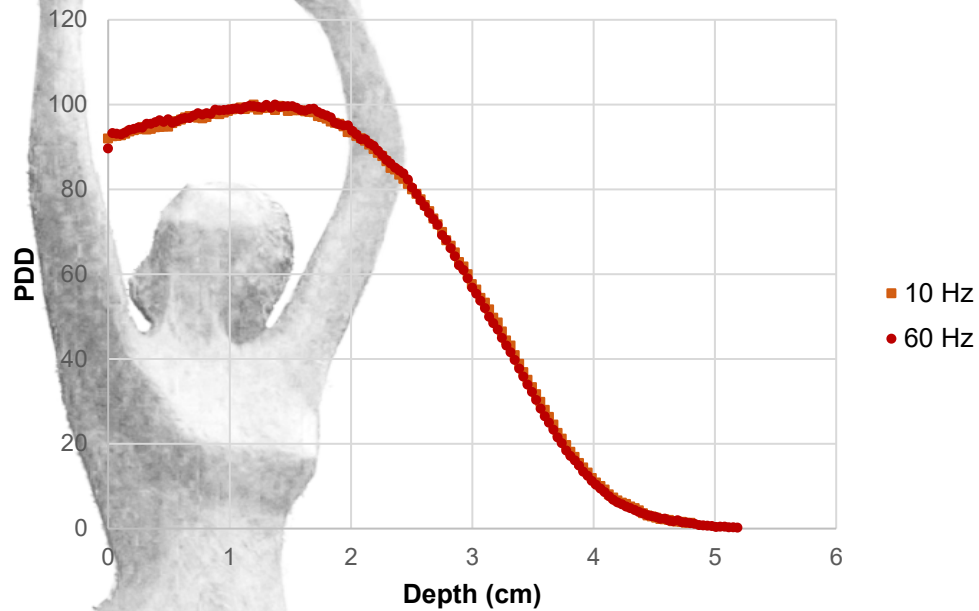
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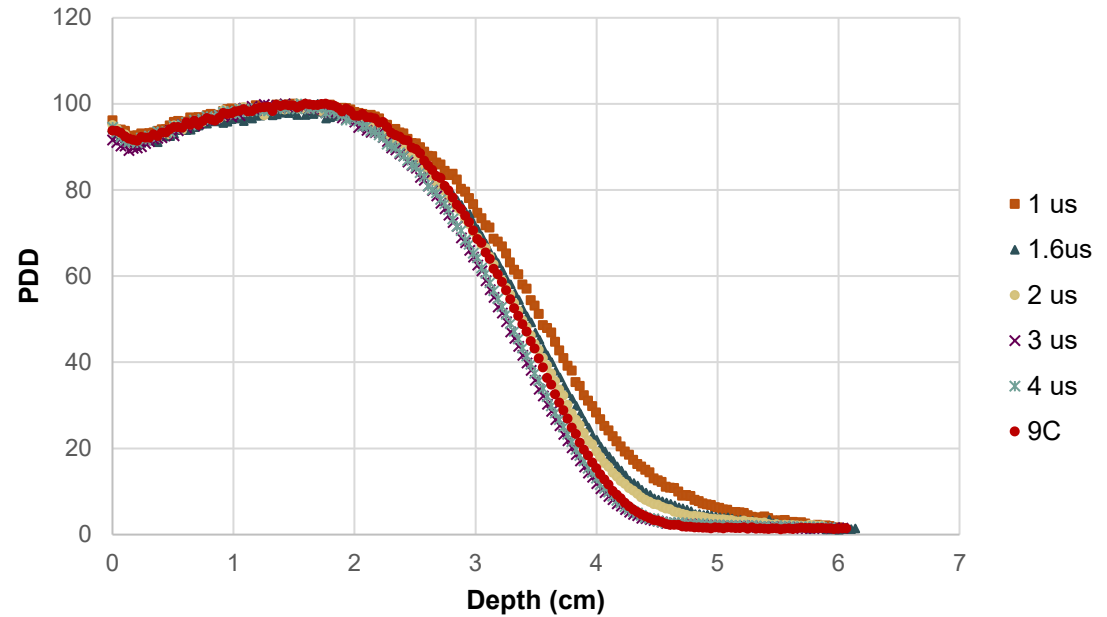
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# Changes in energy with PW, PRF

PDDs with PRF at fixed PW



PDDs with PW at fixed PRF



	Nominal PW ( $\mu$ s)				
	1	1.6	2	3	4
R80 (cm)	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.6
R50 (cm)	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.2
R30 (cm)	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.6

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## Cross comparison between institutions

- Every machine is tuned differently – comparison with Moeckli et al data
- Ours even has different hardware (older SSM)
- Matching parameters is difficult due to discretized nature of parameters and different Dpp across machines

Metric	OSU				CHUV				Differences			
	6H, 3 cm cone		6H, 6 cm cone		6H, 3 cm cone		6H, 6 cm cone		6H, 3 cm cone		6H, 6 cm cone	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
R100 /mm	6.74	2.49	11.59	8.5								
R90 /mm	14.37	12.16	16.57	14.2	9	7	22	21	5.37	5.16	-5.33	-6.8
R50 /mm	22.06	20.67	23.31	21.6	28	26	32	31	-5.94	-5.33	-8.69	-9.4
Rp /mm	29.93	29.16	30.67	29.51								
E0 (MeV)	5.14	4.82	5.43	5.03								
Metric	9H, 3 cm cone		9H, 6 cm cone		9H, 3 cm cone		9H, 6 cm cone		9H, 3 cm cone		9H, 6 cm cone	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
R100 /mm	0.4	0.7	15.51	13.41								
R90 /mm	12.16	8.2	24.64	21.78	13	7	22	25	-0.84	1.2	2.64	-3.22
R50 /mm	29.17	26.55	33.67	31.47	33	29	38	37	-3.83	-2.45	-4.33	-5.53
Rp /mm	42.63	41.18	42.02	41.67								
E0 (MeV)	6.8	6.2	7.85	7.33								

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## Summary of Needs for Standardization

- Standardization in characterization and reporting of pulse parameters
- Efforts to homogenize machines
- Inter-institutional comparisons are needed
- Traceable primary standards for dosimetry
- New QA standards need to be developed for when pulse parameters are changed
- Additional QA requirements for ACCT, Alanine, Film etc dosimetry



### AAPM COMMITTEE TREE

Task Group No. 359 - FLASH (ultra-high dose rate) radiation dosimetry (TG359)

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