DICOM Beyond 2000 Current Status of DICOM RT Extensions

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Presentation Overview

• DICOM RT Object Implementation Issues

• Vendors Implementation & User's experience

• Benefits/Concluding Remarks

General DICOM Implementation Issues

• DICOM Conformance Statement (Part 2)

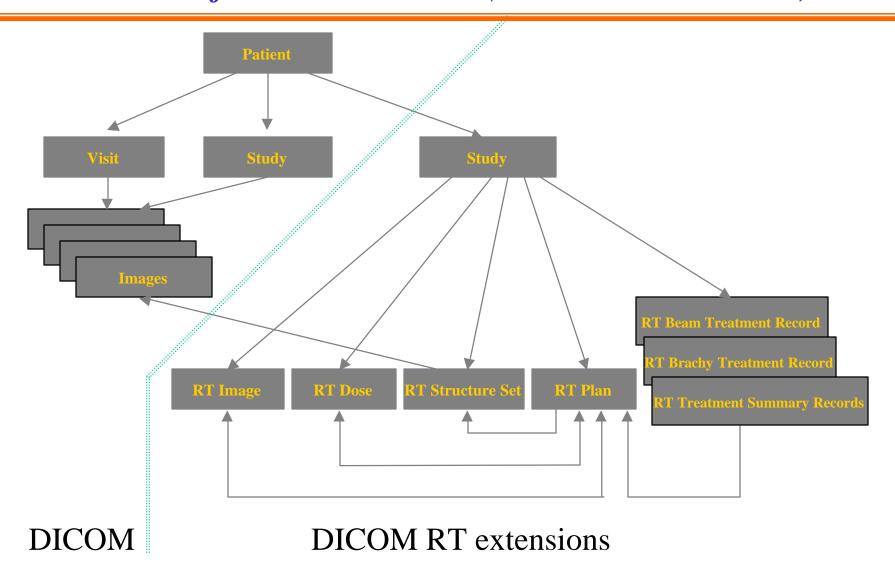
RT IODs more complex than Diagnostic IODs. For RT IODs DCS must contain Module/attribute lists

Modules/Attribute Options

For RT IODs DCS must contain Module and their attribute lists. Inter vendor communication desirable

•Testing: In house; Over Internet; Test Houses

DICOM Information Model (with RT Extensions)



DICOM - RT Objects

- RT Image DRR, Portal, Simulator (Conventional), Radiograph, Blank defined on a conical geometry
- RT Dose Dose Matrix, Dose Points (2D & 3D), Isodoses, DVH calculated on a TPS
- RT Structure Set Patient Structures and related data defined on eg CT/MR, Virtual Simulation, TPS or others
- RT Plan External/Brachy Plan, Fractionation, Tolerance, Patient Setup, Beams, & Sources
- RT Beam Treatment Record External beam session record with an optional summary indicating the cumulative state of a treatment course.
- RT Brachy Treatment Record Brachy session record with an optional summary indicating the cumulative state of a treatment course.
- RT Treatment Summary Record Treatment summary indicating the cumulative state of a treatment course.

Vendor Implementations of DICOM RT Image (SCP) (Vendors used SC 10D in pre RT days)

Elekta (iView)

GE Medical Systems (GEAdvantage Sim)

Impac Medical Systems, Inc. (ViewStation)

MDS Nordion (Helax-IMCON, Theraplan PLUS)

Merge Technologies (MergeARK)

NOMOS (corvus)

Nucletron (PLATO)

Siemens Medical Systems (LANTIS, BeamView, Imaging Platform)
Varian Medical Systems (VARIS/Vision G6)

WIP Future Release

Device Types:

EPI, VS, R&V, TPS

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Marconi Medical Systems (AcQSim/AcQPlan)

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Vendor Implementations of DICOM RT Dose

SCP: IMPAC Medical Systems, Inc.

Marconi Medical Systems (AcQSim/AcQPlan)

 $MDS\ Nordion\ (DCM\ \&\ Theraplan\ PLUS)$

Merge Technologies (MergeARK)

NOMOS Corporation (BAT & CORVUS)

SCU: IMPAC Medical Systems, Inc.

Marconi Medical Systems (AcQSim/AcQPlan)

MDS Nordion (Helax-TMS, DCM & Theraplan PLUS)

Merge Technologies (MergeARK)

TomoTherapy Inc

Varian Medical Systems (VARiS/Vision)

Vendor Implementations of DICOM RT Structure Set (SCP)

ADAC (Pinnacle)

CMS (FOCUS)

ELEKTA (iView)

GE Medical Systems (GE Advantage Sim)

Impac Medical Systems, Inc.

Marconi Medical Systems (AcQSim/AcQPlan)

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NOMOS Corporation (CORVUS & BAT)

Nucletron (PLATO)

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Merge Technologies (MergeARK)

NOMOS Corporation (corvus)

Nucletron (PLATO)

Siemens Medical Systems (Imaging Platform)

Varian Medical Systems (VARis/Vision G6)

Vendor Implementations of DICOM RT Plan (SCP)

ADAC (Pinnacle)

Elekta (PreciseDesktop, PrecisePlan & iView)

GE Medical Systems (GE Advantage Sim)

IMPAC Medical Systems, Inc. (Multi-ACCESS)

Marconi Medical Systems (AcQSim/AcQPlan)

MDS Nordion (Helax-TMS, Helax-VISIR, Helax IMCON, DCM & Theraplan PLUS)

Merge Technologies (MergeARK)

NOMOS Corporation(BAT)

Nucletron (PLATO)

Siemens Medical Systems (Lantis, Imfast, Imaging Platform)

Varian Medical Systems (VARiS/Vision)

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ADAC (Pinnacle)

CMS (FOCUS)

Elekta (PrecisePlan)

GE Medical Systems (GE Advantage Sim)

IMPAC Medical Systems, Inc. (QwikSIM)

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MDS Nordion (Helax-TMS, Helax-VISIR, Helax IMCON, DCM & Theraplan PLUS)

Merge Technologies (MergeARK)

NOMOS Corporation(corvus)

Nucletron (PLATO)

Siemens Medical Systems (IMFAST, Imaging Platform)

Varian Medical Systems (VARis/Vision)



Vendor Implementations of DICOM RT Beam, Brachy & Summary Treatment Records

• Merge Technologies (MergeARK):

SCU & SCP for RT Treatment Beam, Brachy & Summary Records

• **ELEKTA** (PreciseDesktop):

SCP for RT Treatment Beam & Summary Records

•IMPAC Medical Systems, Inc.:

RT Treatment Beam, Brachy & Summary Records

•Varian Medical Systems:

RT Treatment Record

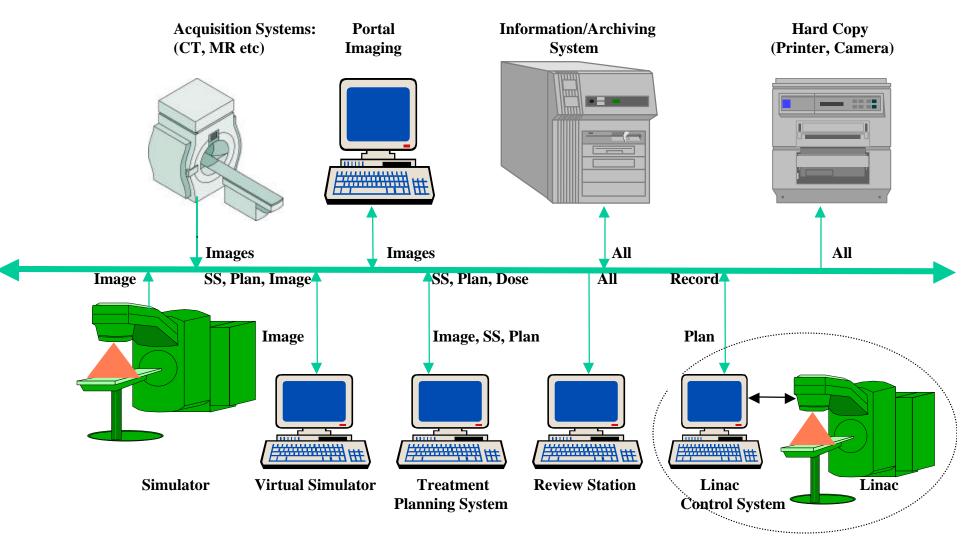
RT Plan communication between a Treatment System and different Treatment Planning Systems (An Example)

| Treatment Planning Systems | Communication status for importing RT Plan by the Elekta |
|---|---|
| (RT Plan Export - SCU): | Precise Desktop Treatment System (RT Plan Import – SCP): |
| ADAC (Pinnacle)* | Being tested over the Internet and with clinical sites |
| CMS (FOCUS)* | Being tested over the Internet and with clinical sites |
| GE (Advantage) | Successfully imported the example data. |
| MDS Nordion (Helax-TMS)* | Successfully tested import of IMRT and Simple fields. |
| | In clinical use at Cookridge, Leeds (UK), & several other sites |
| Theratronics (TPP) | Received RT Plan data successfully – testing continues. |
| NOMOS (CORVUS)* (Only IMRT) | Successfully received example data and testing continues. |
| Nucletron (Plato)* | In clinical use at AZU Utrecht (Netherlands) & other sites. |
| Picker (AcQSim 4.0) | In clinical use with AcqPlan V4.1 at La Choux-de-fonds, Switzerland & |
| | other sites. |
| University Hospital Ghent, Belgium | In clinical use for IMRT (Step & Shoot) |
| Own system (Gratis)* | |
| PrecisePLAN | Testing in progress. |
| William Beaumont Hospital | Successfully tested and preparing to go clinical. |
| (In house system)* | |
| Univ of Washington, Seattle | Successfully tested and preparing to go clinical. |
| (In house system)* | |
| Prowess | Successfully received example data. |
| Thomas Jefferson Univ | Initial testing successful |
| (In house system) | |

^{*} Include IMRT as well as Standard plans

A DICOM Example (inc RT Objects)

(During an external beam patient treatment)



Benefits/Concluding Remarks

• Safety & Large Data transfer (eg IMRT)

• Complex IODs eg RT Plan

• More DICOM RT IOD implementations planned ahead

• DICOM RT Extension - A success story

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