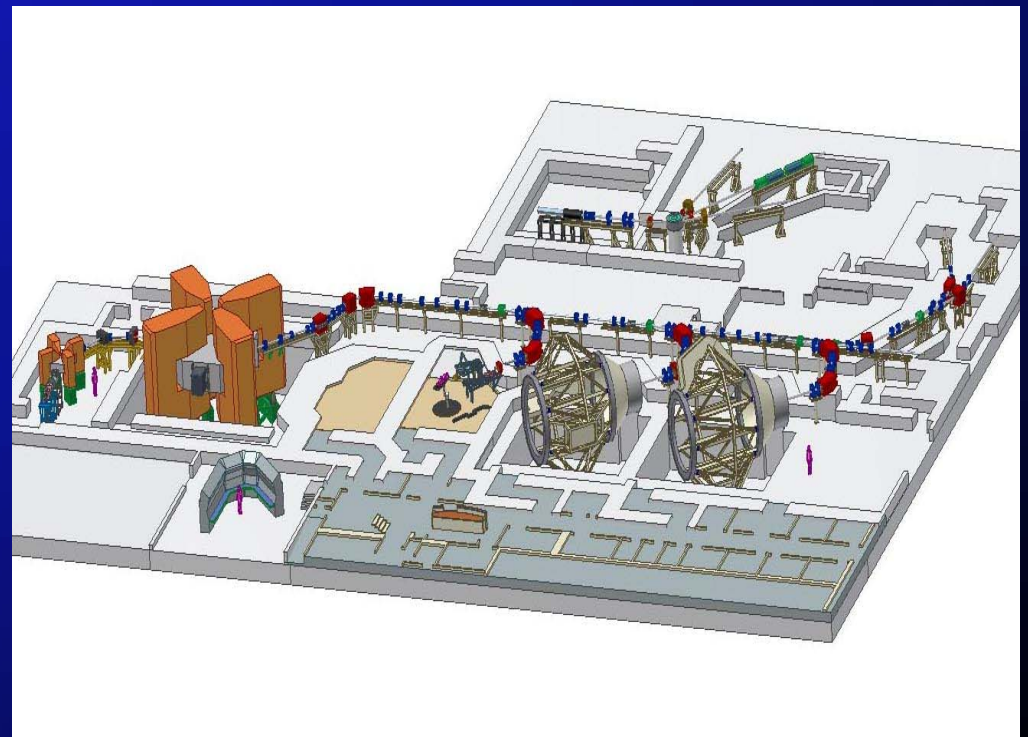


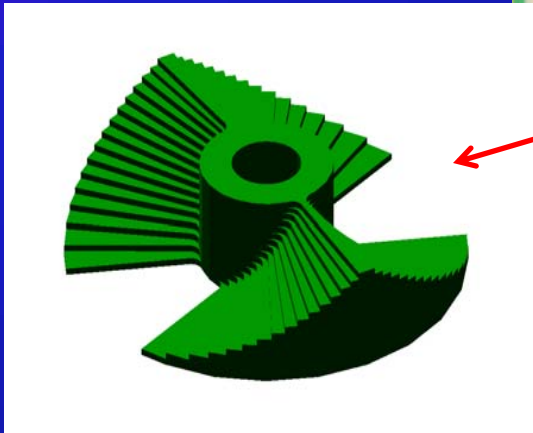
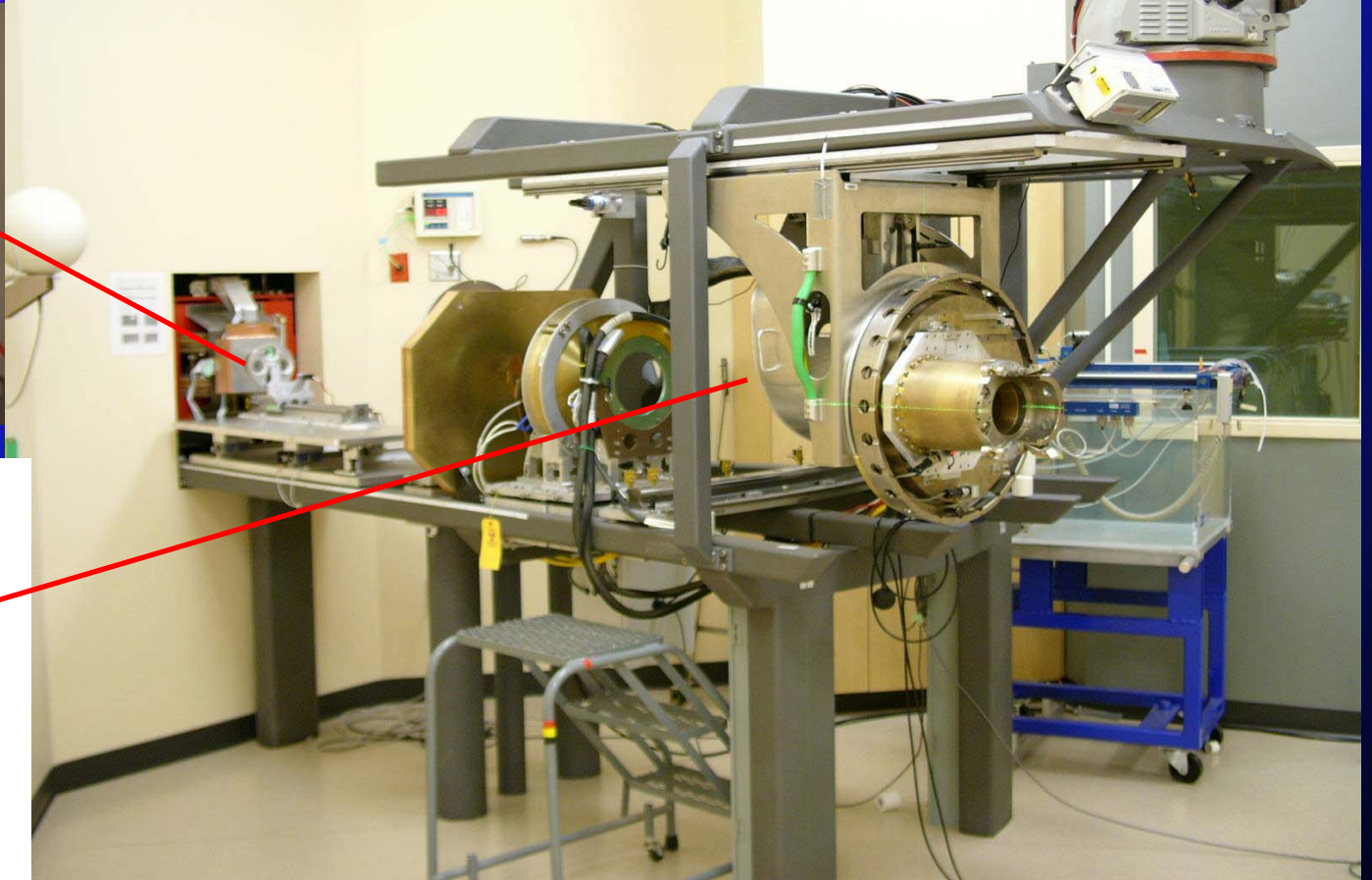
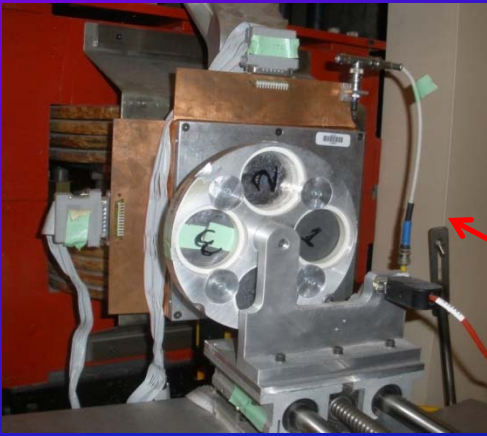


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# Machine configuration and layout

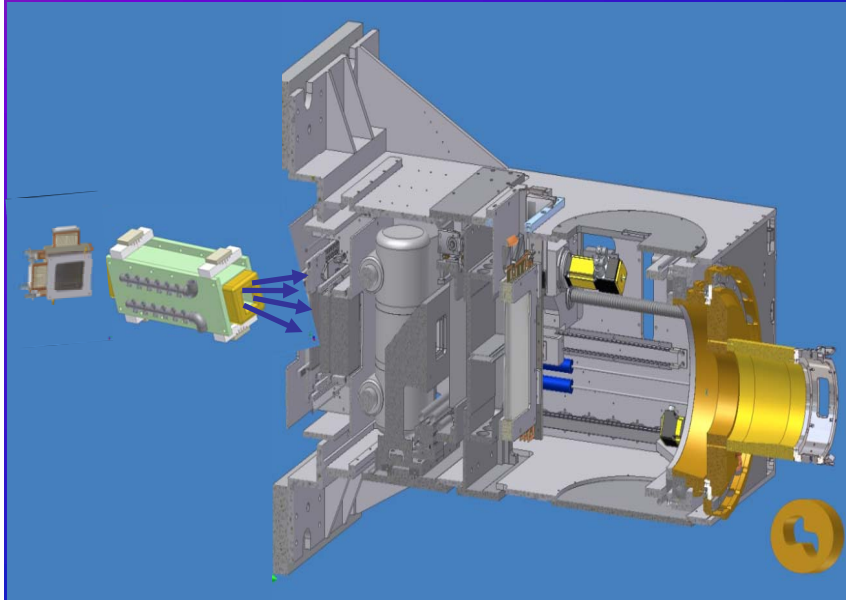


Fixed beam line, double scattering and propeller

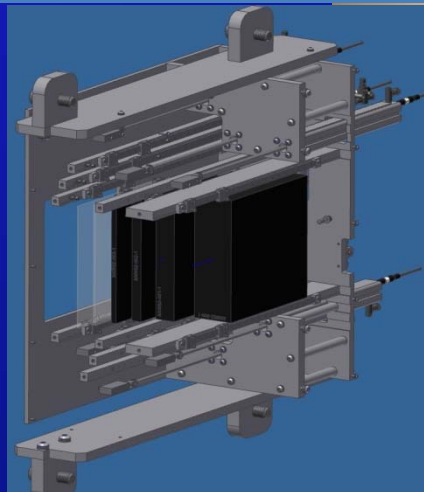


Uniform scanning  
nozzle and snout

# Gantry room



Range  
modulator





# Indiana University Health Proton Therapy Center

- 3 snout sizes (10cm, 20cm and 30cm)
- 30-40 patients treated per day
- Typical patient mix (present time): prostate (30%), H&N (30%), Peds+brain (40%)



# Indiana University Health Proton Therapy Center

- Current Clinical Staffing
  - 6 physicists and 2 medical physics assistants
  - 8 therapists and 3 therapist assistants
  - 3 dosimetrists
  - 5 radiation oncologists (4 treat patients between the PTC and the IU Cancer Center).



# Daily Machine QA

- MPA/Physicist performs the QA:
  - Alignment
    - Lasers, snout, x-rays and DR panels, gantry, light-field
  - Safety
    - X ray systems, barcode scanner, intercom, cameras, panic button, patient positioner, floor panels, interlocks
  - Beam
    - Output constancy, flatness and symmetry, radiation survey (Friday only)
- Typically takes 30 minutes per room
- Therapist check room readiness
  - Patient positioner, gantry, snout, DDS, BDS



# Daily QA

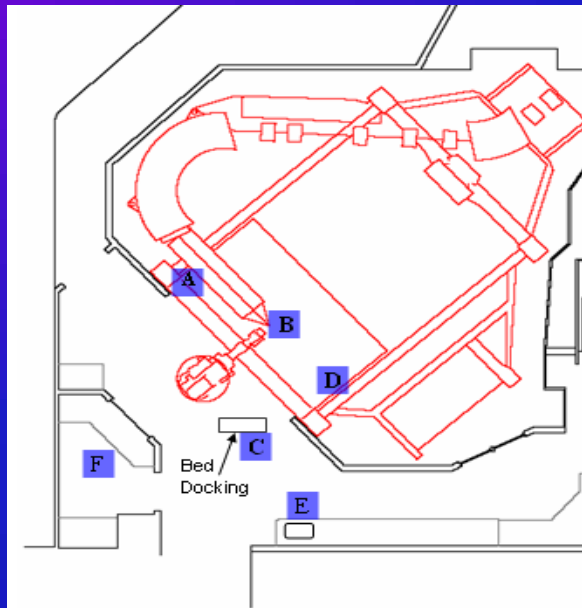


Figure 1 - TR2 Radiation Testing Positions  
Measured Exposure Rates:

- Position A: = \_\_\_\_\_ mRem/hr
- Position B: = \_\_\_\_\_ mRem/hr
- Position C: = \_\_\_\_\_ mRem/hr
- Position D: = \_\_\_\_\_ mRem/hr
- Position E: = \_\_\_\_\_ mRem/hr
- Position F: = \_\_\_\_\_ mRem/hr

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Room Ready: \_\_\_\_\_

Alignment Checks		Outcomes	Expected Outcomes
1	Alignment of room lasers at isocenter		
2	Snout alignment		
3	Snout position / PPIC		
4	X-ray system alignment		
5	Gantry alignment		
6	Light field alignment		
Safety Checks			
7	X-ray system accelerators		
8	Patient positioner accelerators		
9	Beamline interlocks/sensors		
10	Beamline x-ray		
11	Floor panels		
12	Barcode scanner		
13	Patient distress buttons		
14	X-ray Collimators		
15	Audio - Intercom		
16	Camera and room monitoring		
Beam Checks			
1	PPICS, DDS, BDS in Dosimetry Mode; TRCS in Service Mode		
2	DDS motors and LCD backup counters working and recording		
3	MIRS - Interlock and radiation monitoring		
21	Output Quality Assurance		
	Output = 0.998 cGy / MU		
	RCI1 = 2.175	RCI2 = 2.417	ChamberID = MatriXX
	CV 1 = 2.078	CV 2 = 2.315	
DDS:	Pr = 985.7	Tr = 20.4	Ctp = 1.0221
			Offs = -0.0504
22	Transverse Quality		
	IP Flatness = 2.05%	IP Symmetry = 0.01%	
	CP Flatness = 2.28%	CP Symmetry = 0.31%	
Room Readiness			
23	Check RAF Box		Reboot TRCS
	PP at Intm Position		Pendant put away
	Gantry at 270degs		MatriXX put away
	Snout retracted		TRCS in Treat Mode
	Bed mech clamped locked		DDS in Treat Mode
	Ap/Comp put away		BDS in Treat Mode
	Deleted values in QA sheet		PPICS in Treat Mode
7	X-ray system accelerators		
8	Patient positioner accelerators		
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Comments:			



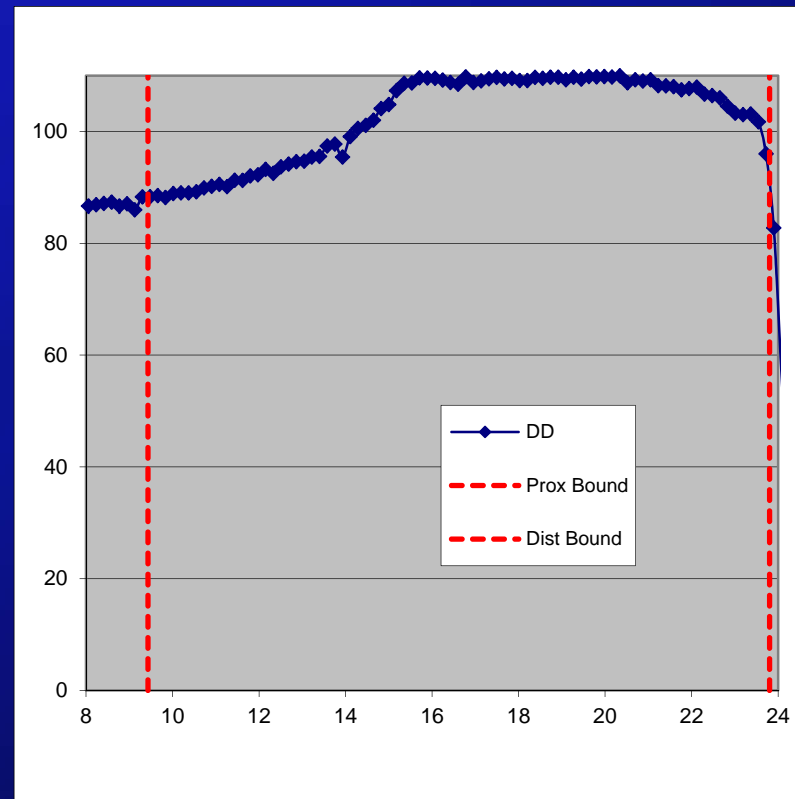
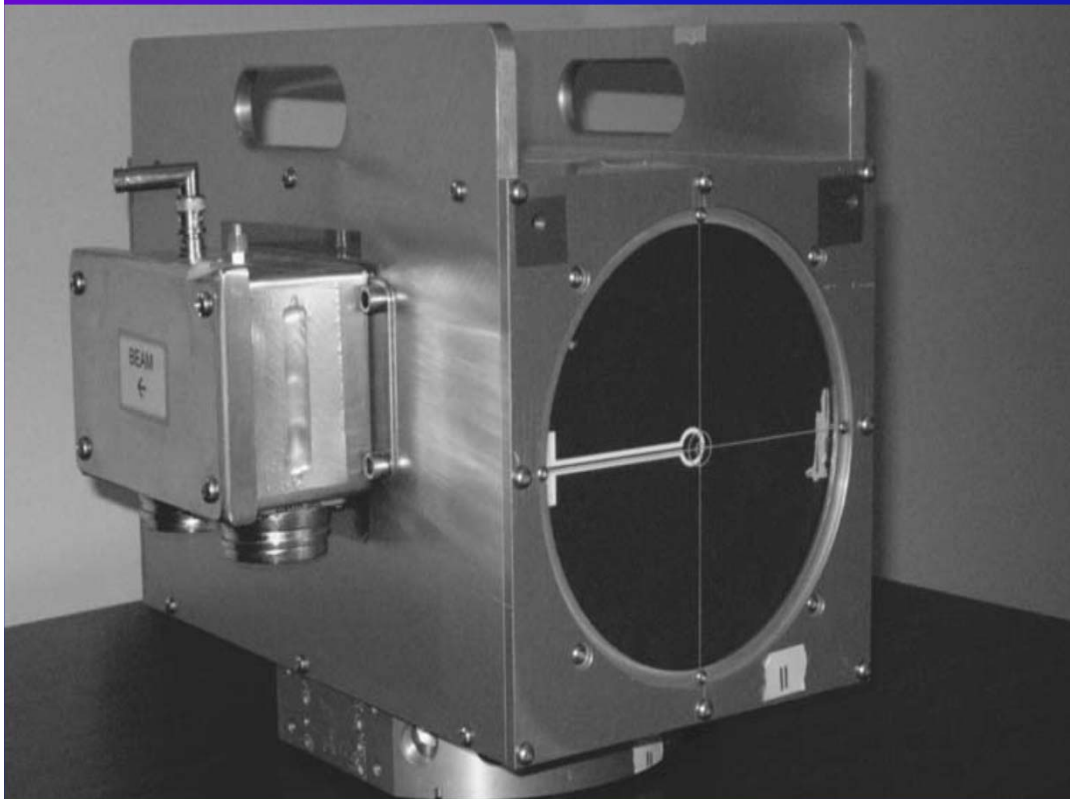
# Monthly QA (gantry room)

- Output factor for the reference condition in water phantom with calibrated IC and Elect.
- Range and SOBP (2.8, 10, 14.5cm) for 10cm field-size for three energy ranges: low, medium and high using a MLIC
- Symmetry and flatness at the middle of 10cm SOBP for the 3 snout sizes (10, 20 and 30cm) and the three energy ranges (low, medium and high) with MatrixX
- Typically takes 4-5 hours per room





# SOBP measurement with MLIC



**• Range and SOBP Extent: MLIC Measurement Results**

Pass Criteria:

- 1) R90: difference between R90 of requested range and measured R90  $\leq 0.1$ cm
- 2) SOBP Extent: difference between requested SOBP and measured SOBP  $\leq 0.5$ cm

Req Range	SOBP	R90	SOBP Extent	Result
24 <i>R90=23.8</i>	2.80 10.0 14.5	23.9 23.9 23.9	2.87 9.95 14.5	Pass Pass Pass
16 <i>R90=15.8</i>	2.80 10.0 15.3	15.9 15.9 15.9	2.80 10.0 14.8	Pass Pass Pass
11.6 <i>R90=11.4</i>	3.0 10.1	11.5 11.4	3.07 10.1	Pass Pass

**• Beam Flatness & Symmetry: Matrixx Results**

Pass Criteria:

- 1) Flatness: within  $\pm 3\%$  for Inplane and Crossplane directions
- 2) Symmetry: within  $\pm 3\%$  for Inplane and Crossplane directions

Snout	11.6R / 10.1SOBP			16R / 10.0SOBP		
	Flatness (%)	Symmetry (%)	Result	Flatness (%)	Symmetry (%)	Result
12	1.98/2.34	0.90/0.38	Pass	2.05/2.99	0.28/0.03	Pass
20	1.34/1.01	0.09/0.28	Pass	1.61/1.33	0.91/0.54	Pass
30	NA	NA	-----	NA	NA	-----

Snout	24R / 10.0SOBP		
	Flatness (%)	Symmetry (%)	Result
12	1.81/1.80	0.21/0.29	Pass
20	1.62/2.08	0.37/0.58	Pass
30	NA	NA	-----

**• Measured In-Water Output Factor**

Pass Criteria:

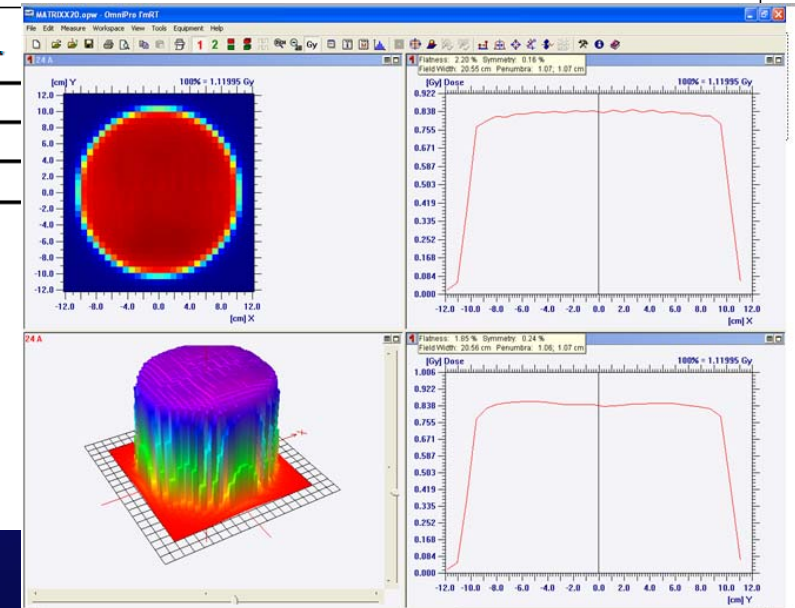
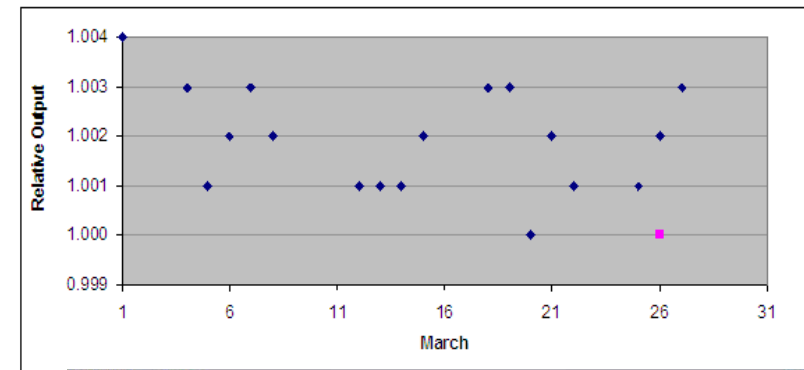
- 1) TR2: OF within 1.0% of 0.995 cGy/MU
- 2) TR3: OF within 1.0% of 1.000 cGy/MU

Room	Measured OF	Results
TR3	1.00	Pass

**• Output Factor Trend**

Graph should include:

- 1) Daily QA Matrixx OFs
- 2) Evening QA in-water OFs

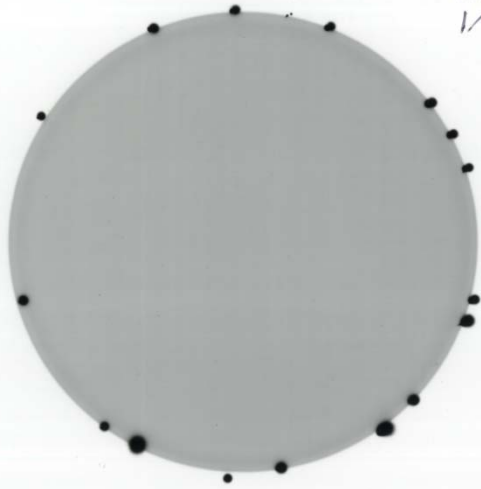




# Annual QA

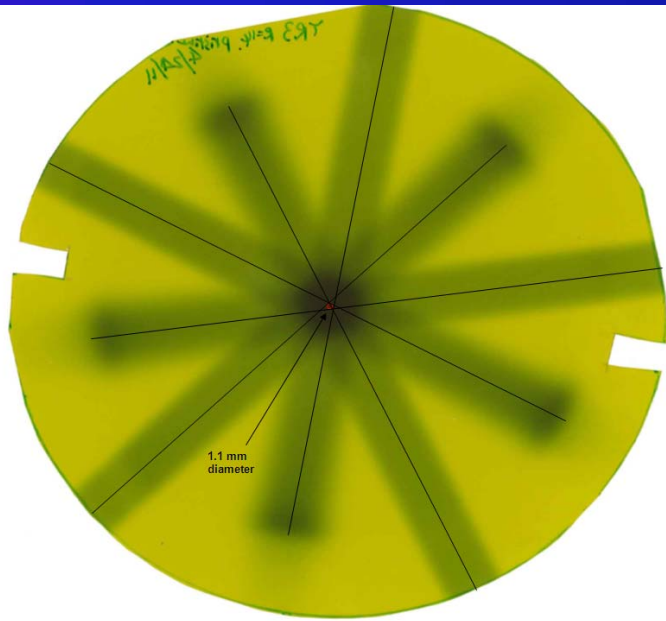
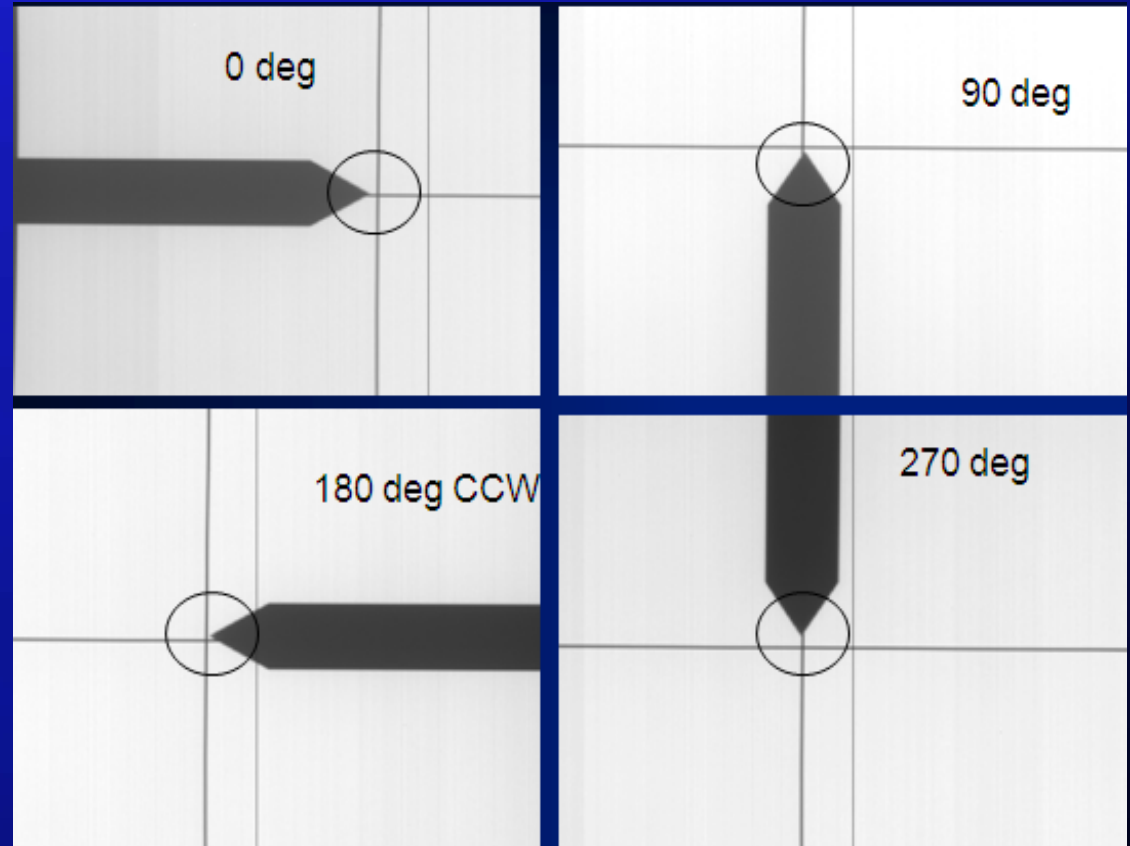
- Additional QA (not performed in monthly):
  - Gantry isocentricity with star-shot
  - Linearity of OF-MU, OF-Cvolt, OF constancy-dose rate,
  - OF vs gantry angle
  - All three snout alignment at full extension/retraction
  - Snout position check at 270° and 90° at full extension/retraction for all three snouts.
  - X-ray source tests:
    - kVp calibration, exposure reproducibility, timer accuracy, mAs linearity, HVL
- Dosimetry protocol: TRS398
  - ADCL calibrated Advanced Markus chamber and electrometer.

Top Right  
TR3  
1/7/17  
R.R./C.A.



**Light and Rad coincidence**

# Mechanical Isocenter Check with pointer and x-rays



**Star shot**



# Patient Support System

## Treatment Table & Robotic systems QA

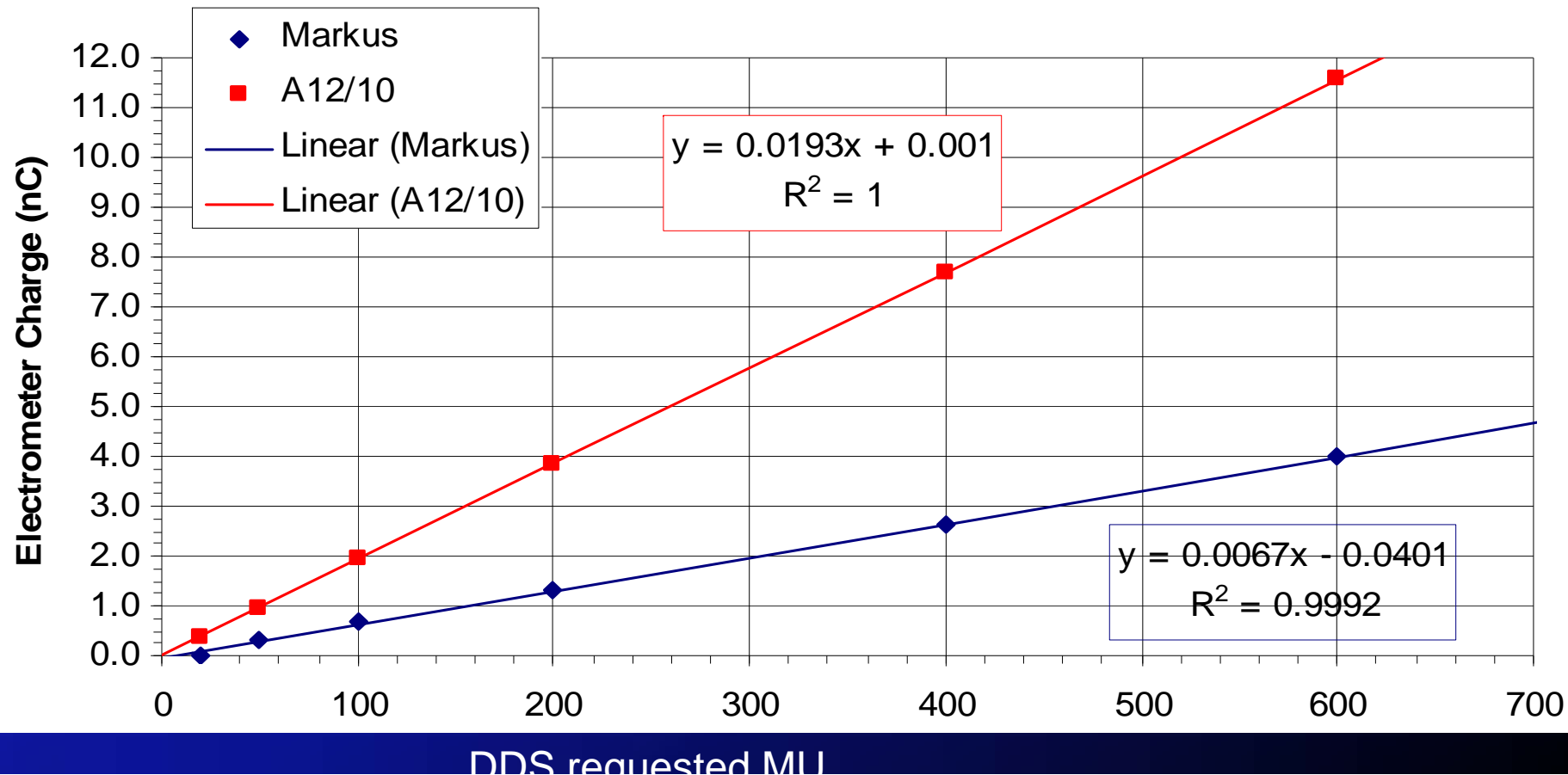
- Degree of freedom:  
(x, y, z), Pitch, roll,  
Yaw
- Motion accuracy
- Reproducibility
- Adoptability
- Compatibility
- Safety





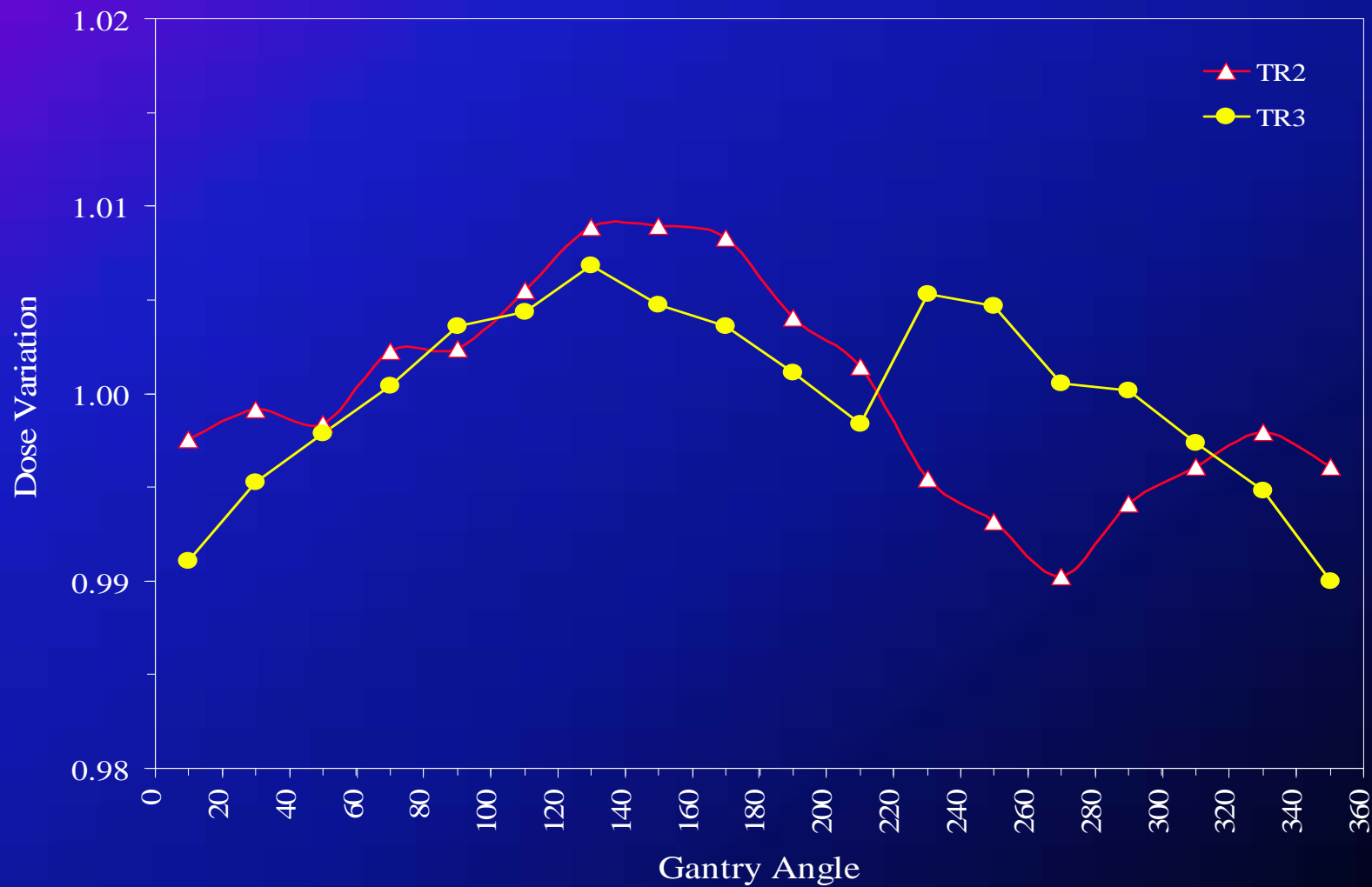
# Dose monitor linearity

TR3 Ion Chamber Charge vs. DDS Requested MU  
(Constant Dose Rate)





# OF variation with gantry angle



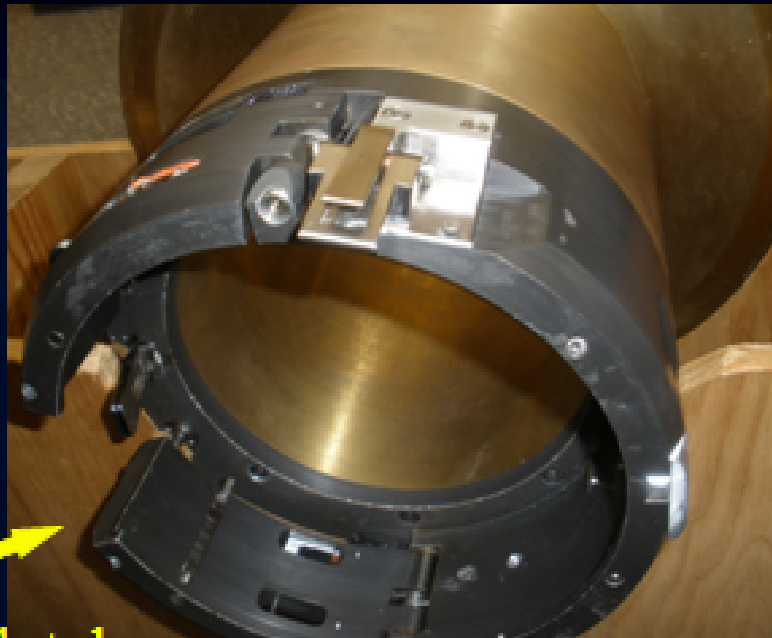


# Patient Specific QA

- Relative output factor measurements in water phantom of aperture and compensator for each field
  - For field size < 3cm diameter, measurements taken at different points along SOBP to locate appropriate point of measurement (MLIC was used before).
- QA tolerances
  - Relative output factor  $\pm 2\%$  for both open (aperture only) and closed (with compensator)
    - Re-measure to confirm discrepancy
    - Move IC along SOBP to examine change in OF to understand the discrepancy



# Proton Snout, sizes, 10, 20, 30 cm diameter

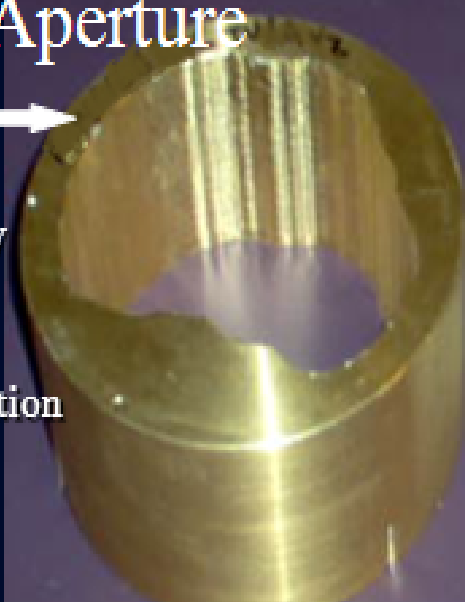


Snout latch

Brass Aperture



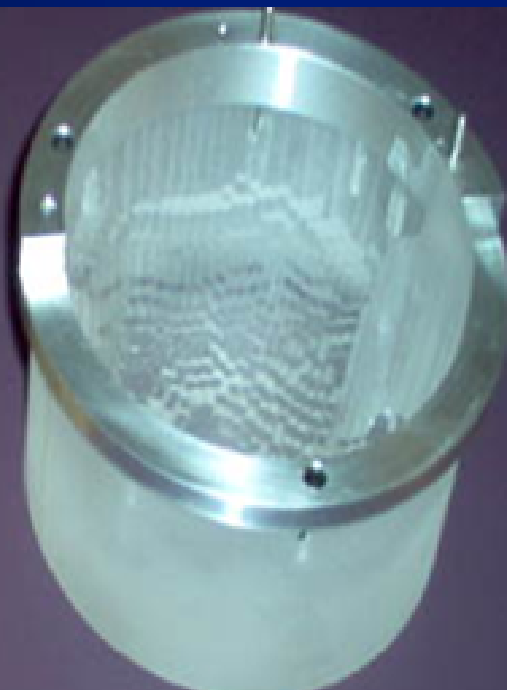
1. Accuracy
2. Weight
3. Composition



## Lucite Compensator



1. QA on depth and fidelity of drilling
2. Minimum thickness of integrity
3. Quality of plastic (vendor variability)
4. Safety: Mechanical attachment issue





# Unique Implementations at IUHPTC

- Quarterly QA
  - Absolute cross-calibration of all IC available (4)
  - Laser alignment
  - Robot alignment, constancy
  - 10cm snout alignment at full retraction/extension w/ x rays and four cardinal gantry angles
  - X ray and DR panel alignment using x rays
  - Light and radiation coincidence
  - Emergency stop and emergency power in wall outlet



# Top 3 items in our wish list (if we could have them in the future)

- Commercial Imaging system for Image Guidance (eg., MedCom, kVCT, In-room CT)
- Spot scanning
- Record-and-verify system



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