

AbstractID:8634 Title : Dosimetric Parameter Comparison of the Electronic Tissue Compensator Technique with the Conventional Physical Wedge Technique for the Whole Breast Treatment

**Purpose:** To compare dosimetric benefit between electronic tissue compensator (ETC) technique and the conventional physical wedge (PW) technique for whole breast (WB) tangential field irradiation treatment. **Method and Materials:** 17 breast cases, with chest wall separation from 16 to 26 cm at normalization point, were included in this study. Eclipse Planning System (V7.3) was used to generate a plan. The plan remained with the same beam setup, beam weighting, normalization point, and energy (6 MV or 6 MV mixed with 18 MV) in both techniques for each case. The breast tissue was outlined as a plan in the target volume (PTV). For a PTV dose coverage information, PTV encompassed by 95% isodose line ( $V_{95}$ ) and PTV received the minimum dose ( $D_{min}$ ) were studied. To examine a high dose region, a PTV received at least 105% prescription dose ( $V_{105}$ ) was computed. To study dose inhomogeneity (DI) in the PTV, variation of the difference of  $D_{max}$  and  $D_{min}$  to the prescription dose was estimated. In addition, at total MU for each plan was recorded to estimate the time, but also as a factor of the hemachinescat to reduce leakage evaluation. **Result:** By comparing with the PW plan, (1) The PTV coverage,  $V_{95}$ , showed a difference within 0.5% in both techniques and  $D_{min}$  was lower on average of  $1.2 \pm 0.1$  from ETC plan; (2) The hot spot,  $V_{105}$ , was reduced by a percentage of  $2.9 \pm 2.2$  in ETC plan. (3) The wide creasing by a percentage of  $1.3 \pm 12.3$  in ETC plan. The total MU reduced by about  $8.9 \pm 17.1$  percent in ETC plan. **Conclusion:** ETC technique presented a dosimetric benefit for the WB tangential field treatment. And these benefits were subjected to case-by-case study. A careful comparison is needed for the treatment plan selection.