AbstractID: 10648 Title: Can 4D Dose Be Constructed without Using Deformable Organ Registration?

Purpose: Image based deformable organ registration has been the primary means for 4D dose construction of moving organ. However, patient free breathing cone beam CT (FB-CBCT) is more routinely obtained, instead of 4D CBCT. In this study, we examine if FB-CBCT imaging can be directly applied for 4D dose construction.

Method and Materials: Organs with the mean shape obtained from 4D reference CTs were mapped on a FB-CBCT image by applying rigid-body matching. The 4D dose in the organ was then constructed on the mean CT image using the 3-dimenional-motion *pdf* detected by the CB projection images. Three lung cancer patients with a planning and multiple daily 4D CTs were used to evaluate this method. The daily FB-CBCT was constructed using the daily 4D CT. For each patient, dose distributions obtained from a 3D inverse planning and a 4D inverse planning were used in the evaluation. Dose distribution constructed using the deformable organ registration on the daily 4D CTs. The minimal dose (D₉₉) and EUD for the target, and the maximum dose (D₁) for critical structures were used in the comparison.

Results: Dose discrepancy (the mean \pm SD) for D₉₉ and EUD of the targets was -0.6% \pm 2.6% and 0.0% \pm 1.0%. Dose discrepancy of D₁ was 1.5% \pm 1.5% for heart, -1.6% \pm 3.3% for Aorta and -0.6% \pm 3.7% for Esophagus. Dose discrepancy in the lung was not evaluated in the current study due to the need of using variable pdfs at different location of the lung.

Conclusion: 4D dose in organs of interest could be directly constructed using daily FB-CBCT and measured pdf. The construction accuracy seems acceptable for the organs of interest inside of the lung.

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