



# TECNICHE DI RADIOTERAPIA AL SENO CON RAGGI X MONOCROMATICI

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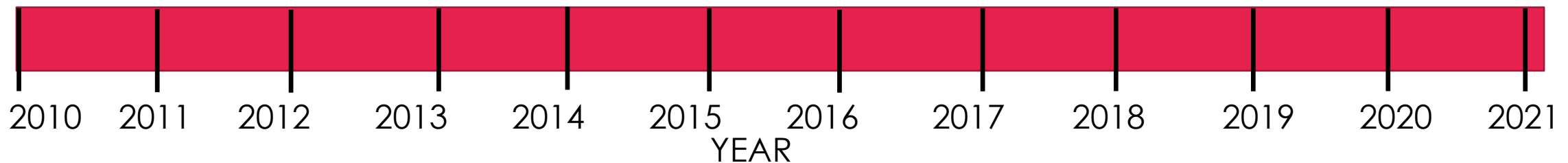
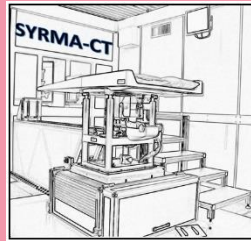
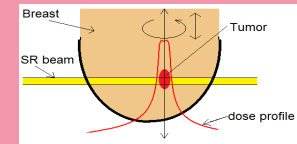
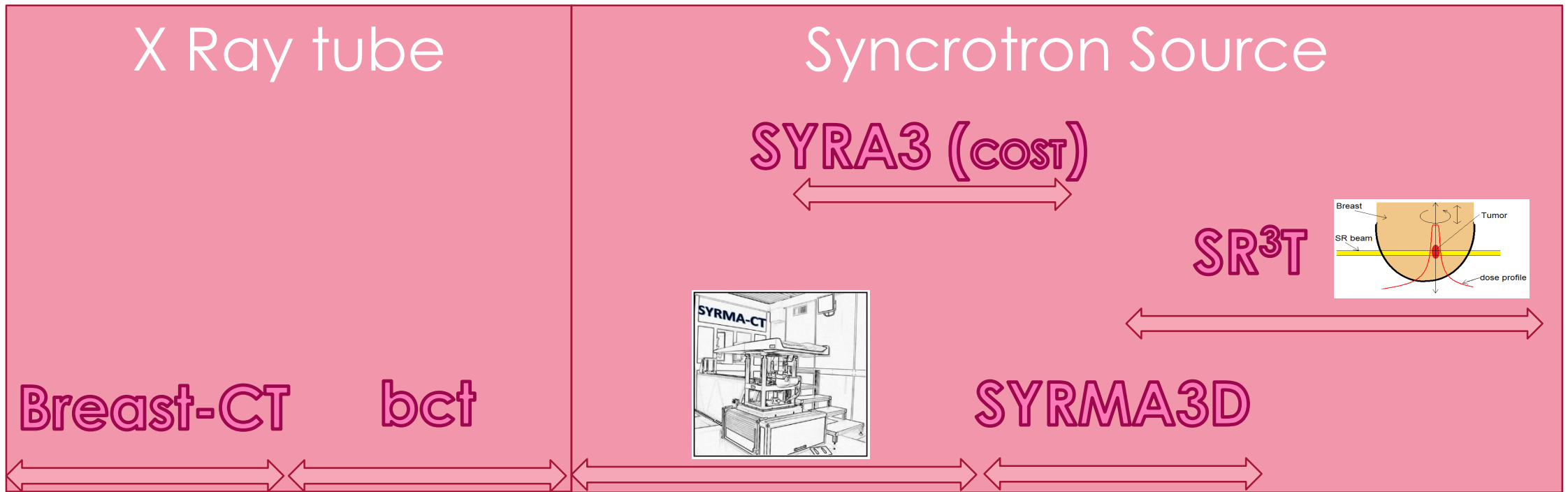
Synchrotron Radiation Rotational RadioTherapy  
breast cancer  
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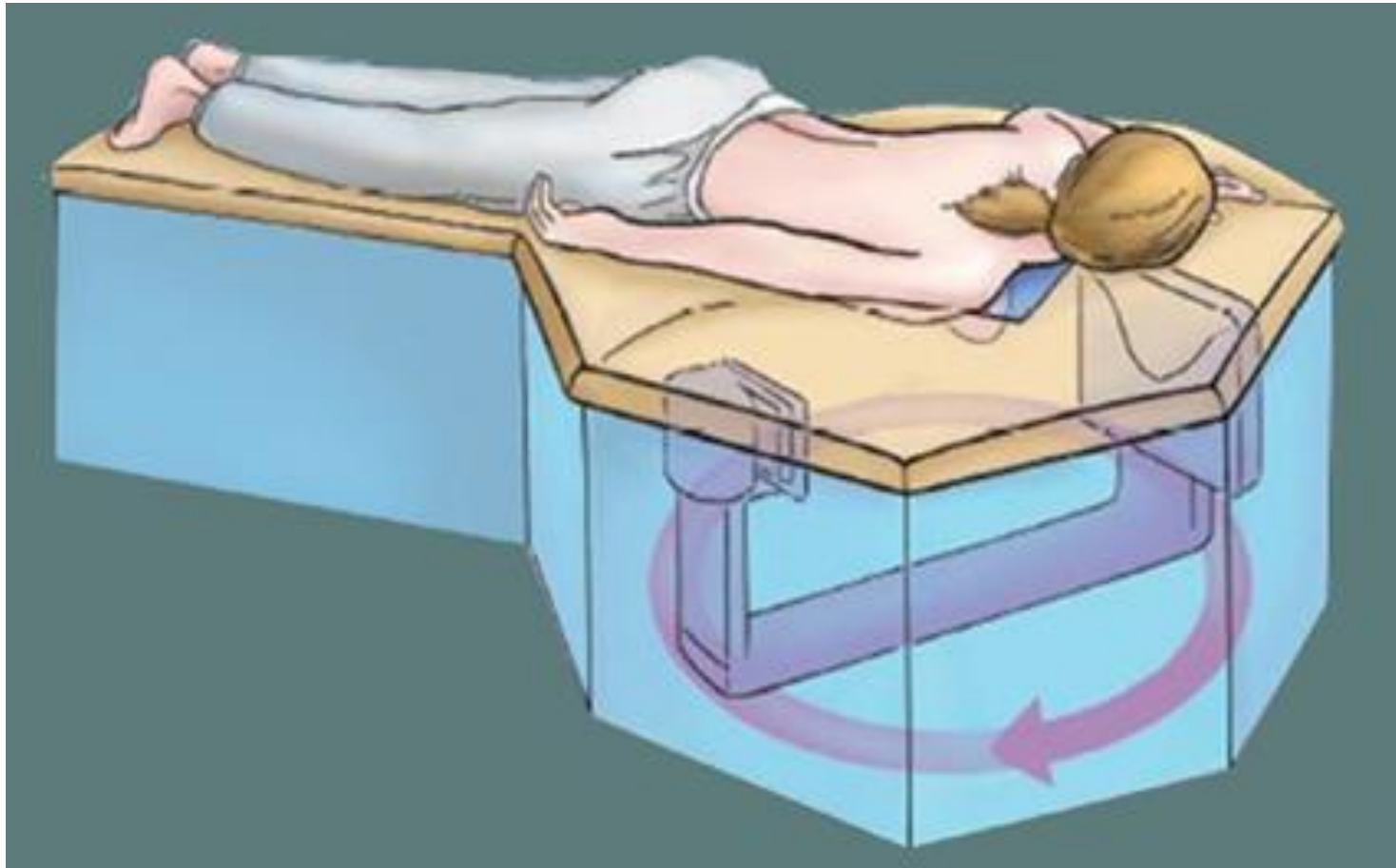


To propose and investigate an **innovative therapeutic approach for breast cancer therapy** which combines kilovoltage external beam **rotational radiotherapy** using **synchrotron radiation**, the use of **contrast and radiosensitizing agents**, image guidance via pre-treatment and within-treatment **computed tomography scans for precise tumor localization** and patient repositioning, showing its potential with respect to currently available conventional and experimental radiotherapy techniques for breast cancer.

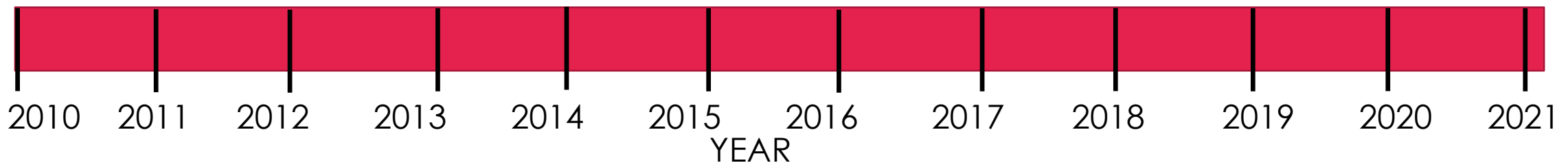
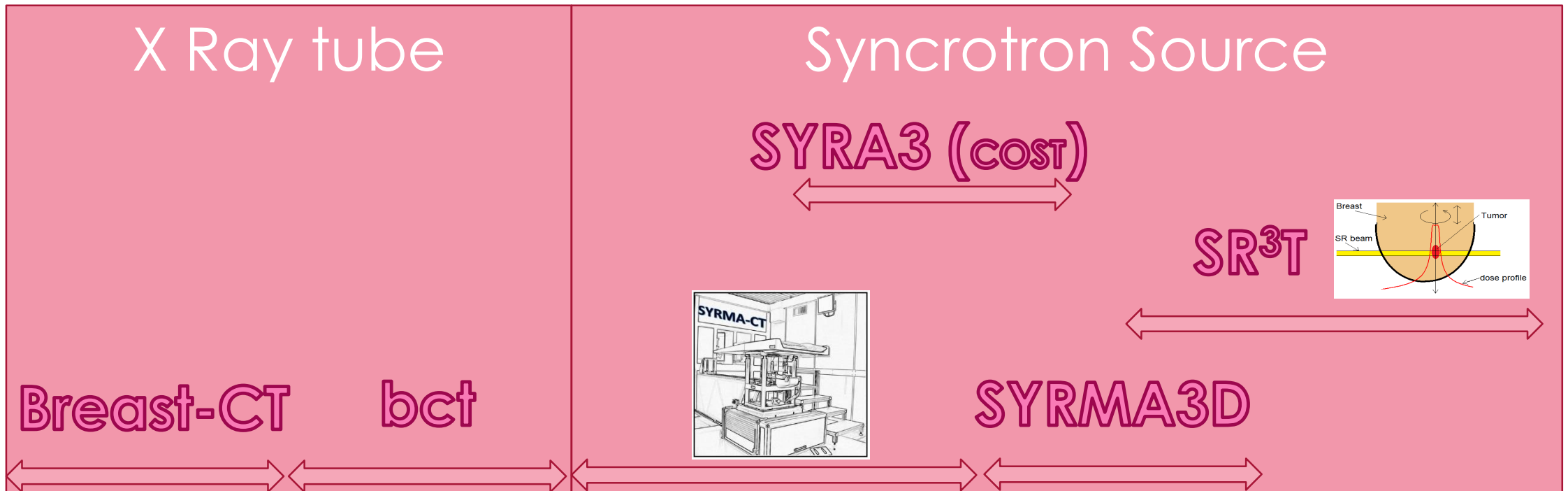
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## Kilovoltage Rotational External Beam Radiotherapy on a Breast Computed Tomography Platform: A Feasibility Study

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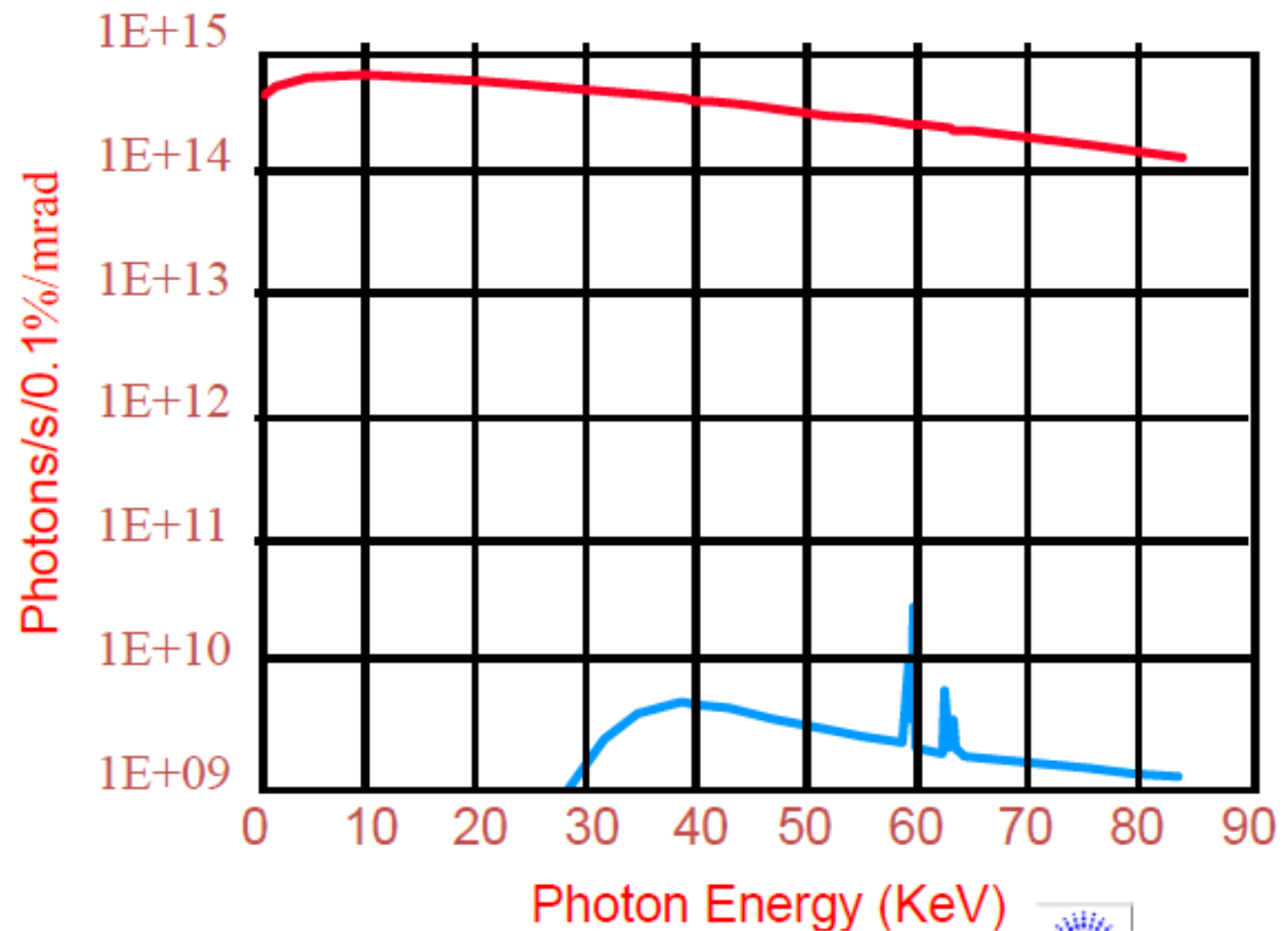
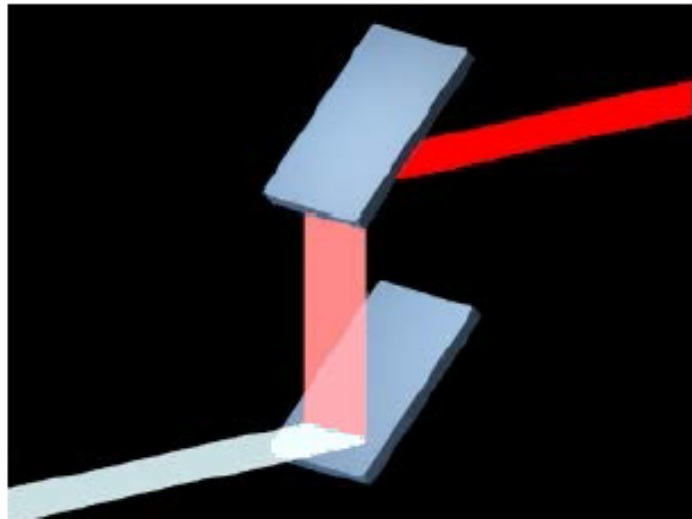
### Purpose

To demonstrate the feasibility of a dedicated breast computed tomography (bCT) platform to deliver rotational kilovoltage (kV) external beam radiotherapy (RT) for partial breast irradiation, whole breast irradiation, and dose painting.

### Methods and Materials

Rotational kV-external beam RT using the geometry of a prototype bCT platform was evaluated using a Monte Carlo simulator. A point source emitting 178 keV photons (approximating a 320-kVp spectrum with 4-mm copper filtration) was rotated around a 14-cm voxelized polyethylene disk (0.1 cm tall) or cylinder (9 cm tall) to simulate primary and

- X-Ray tube - 110KV - 2.5mm Al @meter/source
- ESRF ID 17 @ 200mA - Wiggler: 1.4T - 1.6m - 150mm





- Marzo 2015: MASR Conference
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## Towards breast cancer rotational radiotherapy with synchrotron radiation <sup>☆</sup>



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### ABSTRACT

**Purpose:** We performed the first investigations, via measurements and Monte Carlo simulations on phantoms, of the feasibility of a new technique for synchrotron radiation rotational radiotherapy for breast cancer (SR<sup>3</sup>T).

**Methods:** A Monte Carlo (MC) code based on Geant4 toolkit was developed in order to simulate the irradiation with the SR<sup>3</sup>T technique and to evaluate the skin sparing effect in terms of centre-to-periphery dose ratio at different energies in the range 60–175 keV. Preliminary measurements were performed at the Australian Synchrotron facility. Radial dose profiles in a 14-cm diameter polyethylene phantom were measured with a 100-mm pencil ionization chamber for different beam sizes and compared with the results of MC simulations. Finally, the dose painting feasibility was demonstrated with measurements with EBT3 radiochromic films in a phantom and collimating the SR beam at 1.5 cm in the horizontal direction.

**Results:** MC simulations showed that the SR<sup>3</sup>T technique assures a tumour-to-skin absorbed dose ratio from about 7:1 (at 60 keV photon energy) to about 10:1 (at 175 keV), sufficient for skin sparing during radiotherapy. The comparison between the results of MC simulations and measurements showed an agreement within 5%. Two off-centre foci were irradiated shifting the rotation centre in the horizontal direction.

**Conclusions:** The SR<sup>3</sup>T technique permits to obtain different dose distributions in the target with multiple rotations and can be guided via synchrotron radiation breast computed tomography imaging, in propagation based phase-contrast conditions. Use of contrast agents like iodinated solutions or gold nanoparticles for dose enhancement (DE-SR<sup>3</sup>T) is foreseen and will be investigated in future work.

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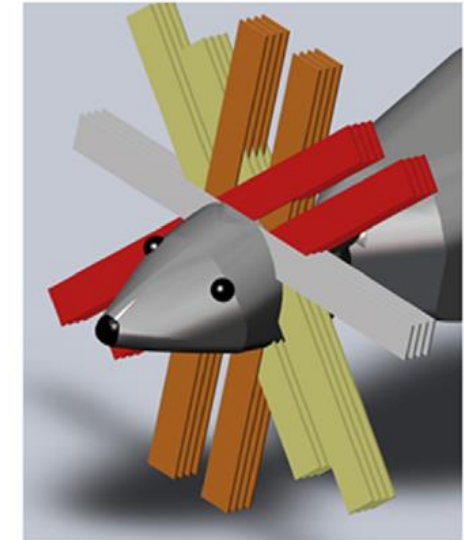
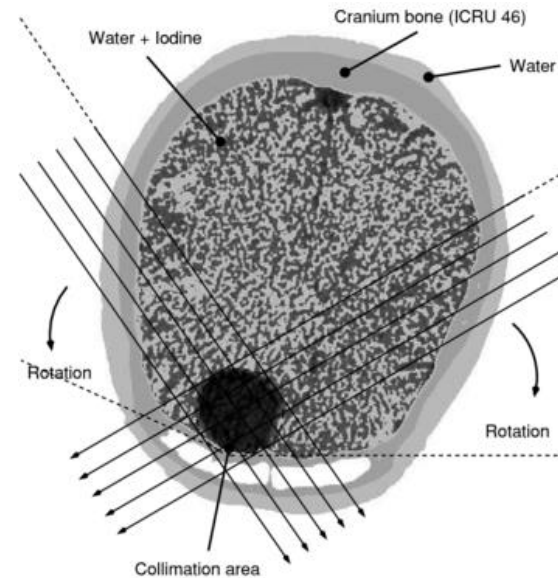
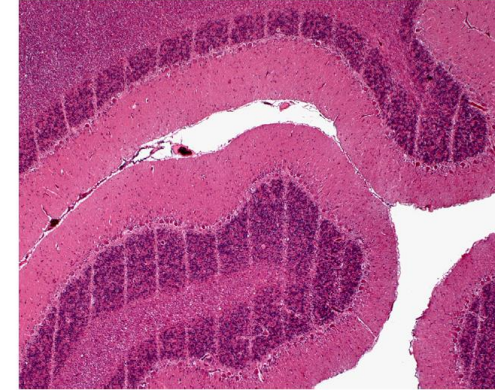
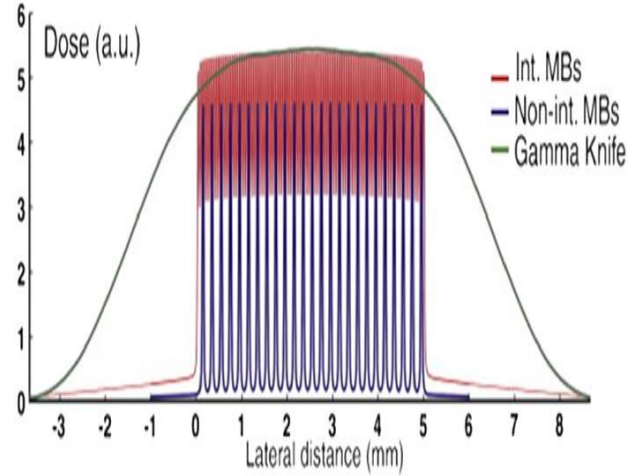
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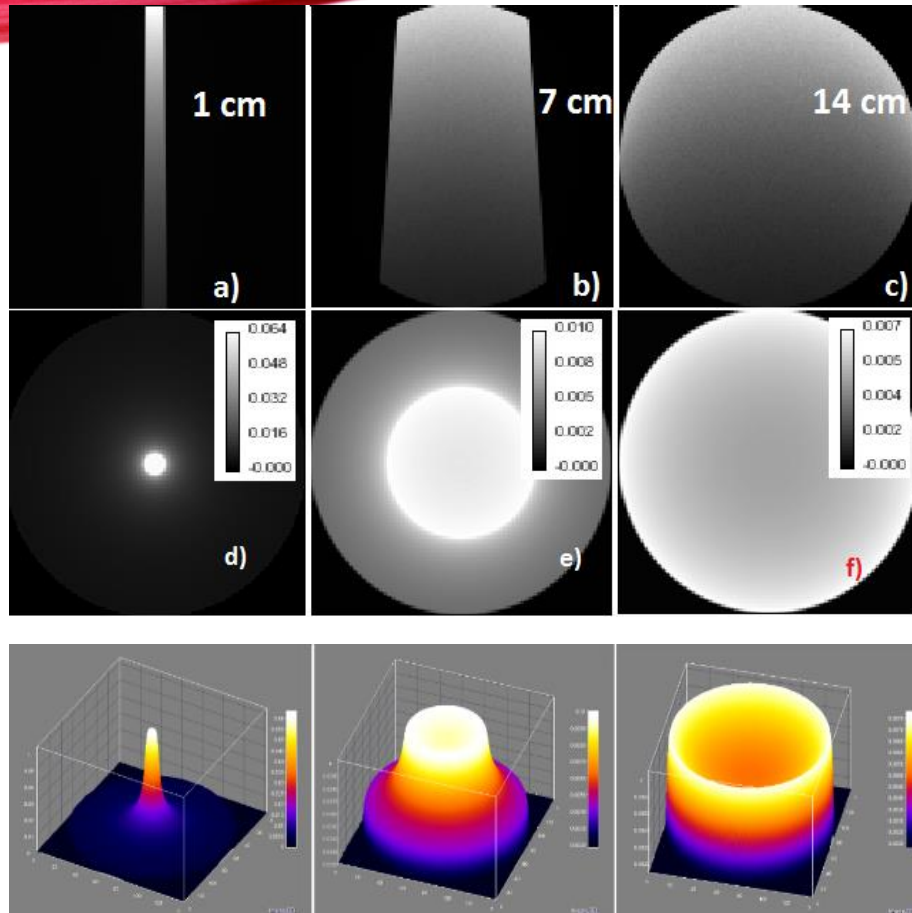
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Stereotactic Synchrotron Radiotherapy (SSRT) and Microbeam Radiation Therapy (MRT) are both novel approaches to treat brain tumor and potentially other tumors using synchrotron radiation. Although the techniques differ by their principles, SSRT and MRT share certain common aspects with the possibility of combining their advantages in the future. For MRT, the technique uses highly collimated, quasi-parallel arrays of X-ray microbeams between 50 and 600 keV. Important features of

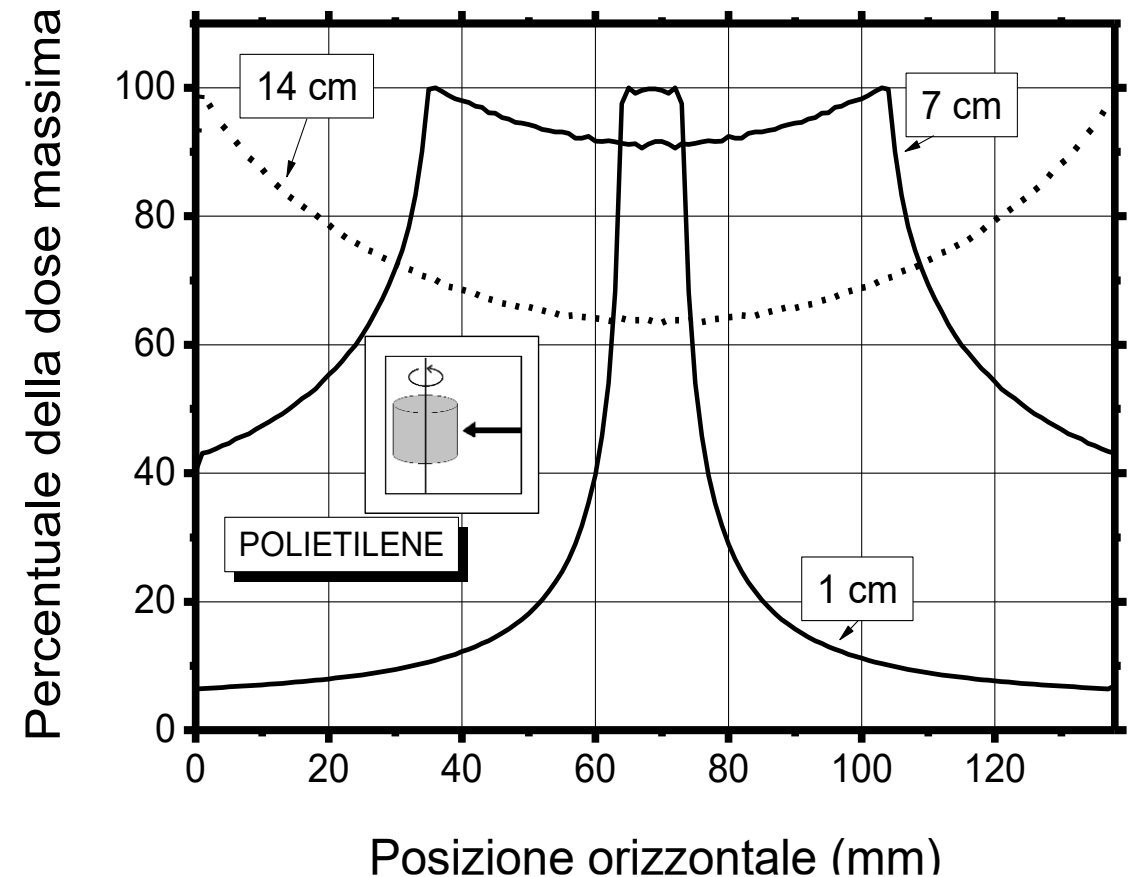




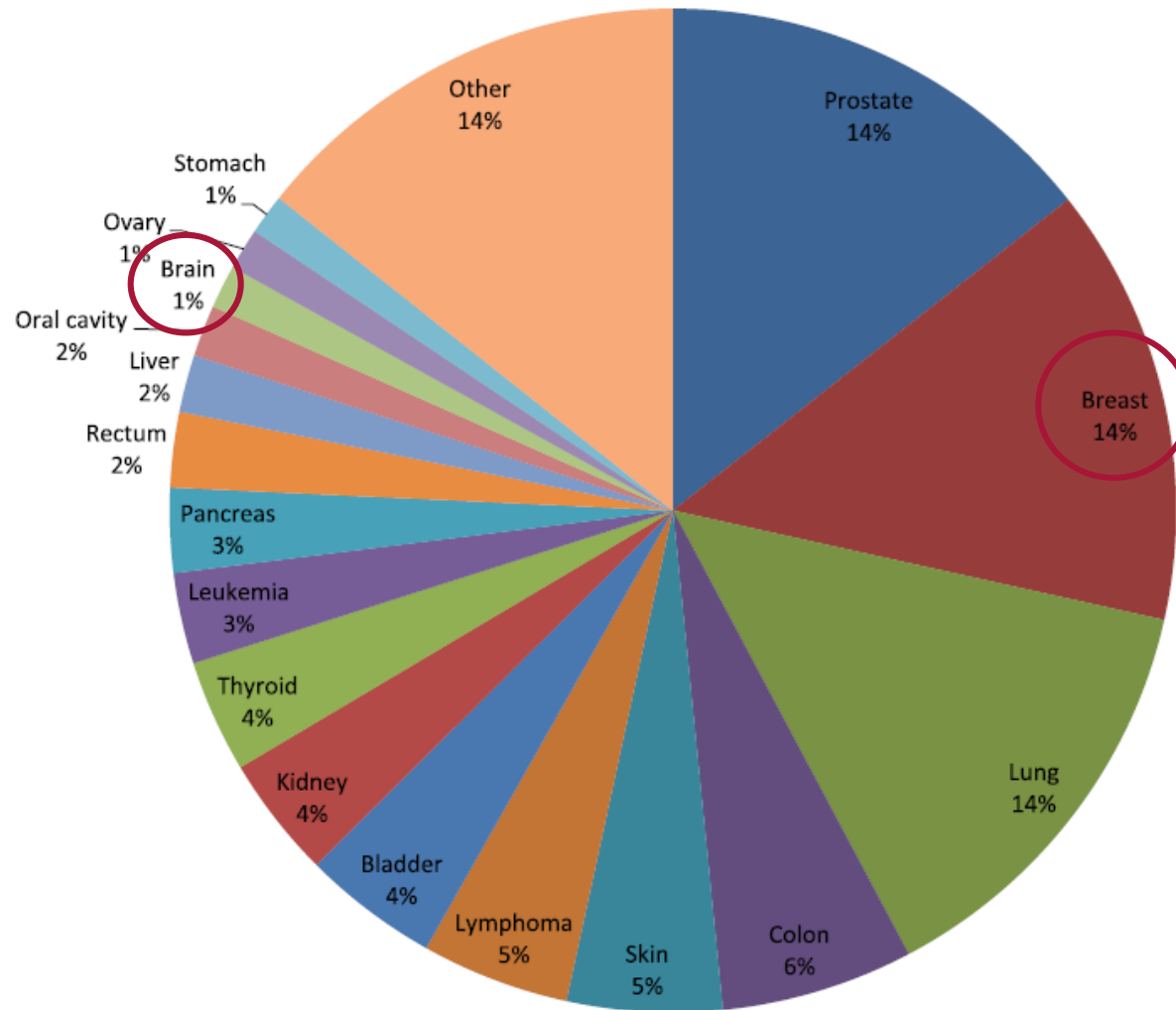
1. Quando il fascio è stretto (1 cm) **la dose al bordo è meno del 10% di quella al centro.**
2. Quando il fantoccio è totalmente irraggiato (14 cm) il massimo della dose è al bordo ed **il profilo è a forma di coppa**



- **Energia:** 178 keV
- **Dimensioni fantoccio:** 14 cm diametro 9 cm altezza
- **Materiale:** polietilene
- **Collimazioni fascio:** 1, 7, 14 cm in direzione x



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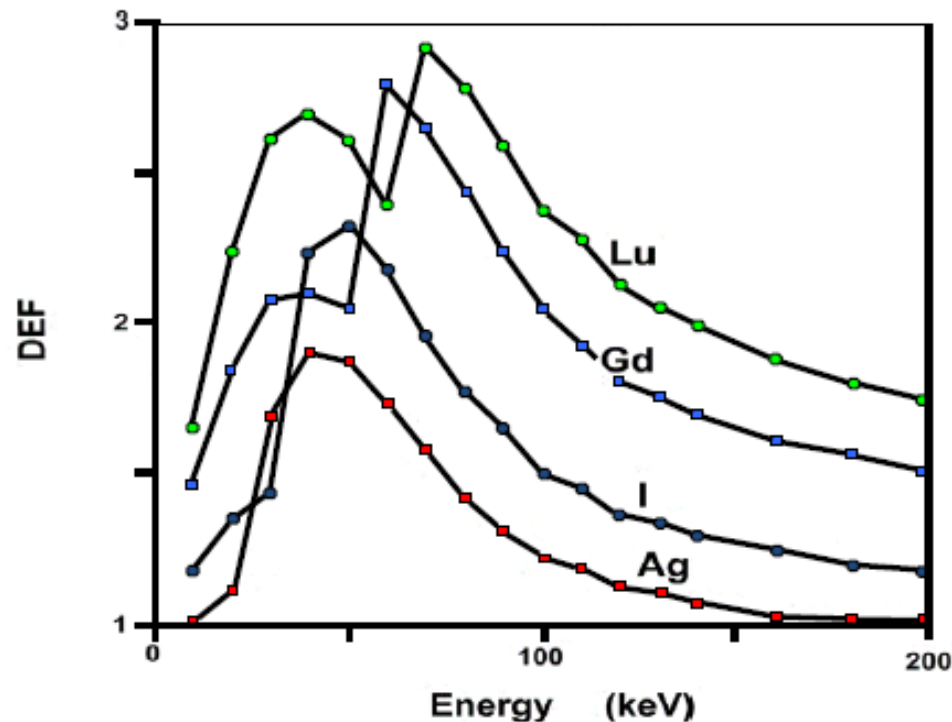
- Applicazione di questa tecnica al breast tumor
- Ottimizzazione energia e geometria per sparing skin effect
- Confronto con la tecnica tradizionale



# DOSE ENHANCEMENT EFFECT



- Radiation dose enhancement in tumors with iodine, Mello et al., **Med. Phys. 10, 75 (1983)**
- Calculation of radiation dose enhancement factors for dose enhancement therapy of brain tumors, Solberg et al., **Phys. Med. Biol. 37, 439-443, (1992)**



DEF vs. photon energy for equimolar concentrations of Ag, I, Gd, and Lu equal to that of 5 mg/ml Ag.

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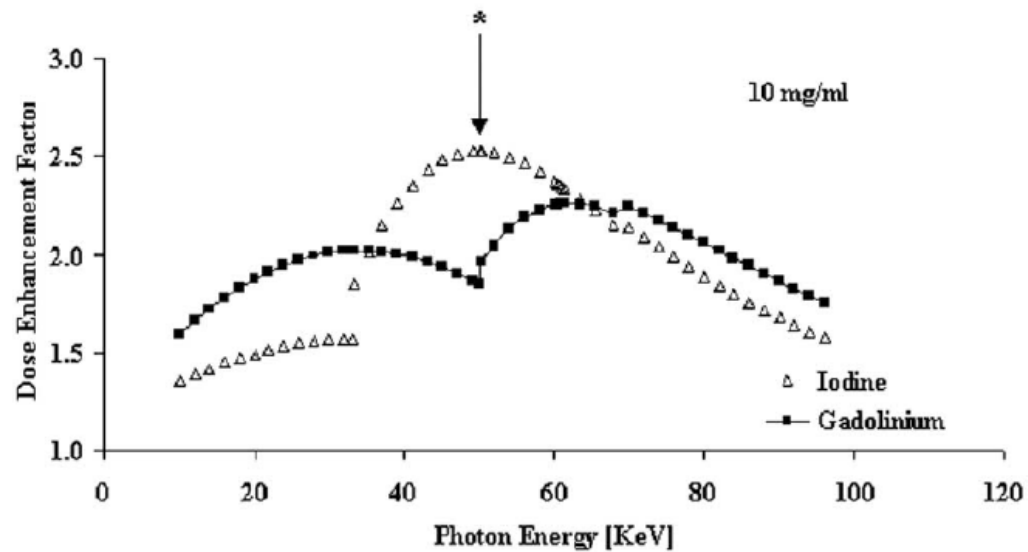


Fig. 4. Dose enhancement factor (DEF) curves computed with Eq. 4, as a function of energy for two different elements (iodine and gadolinium) at identical concentrations (10 mg/mL). The arrow points out the maximal DEF for iodine (50 keV).

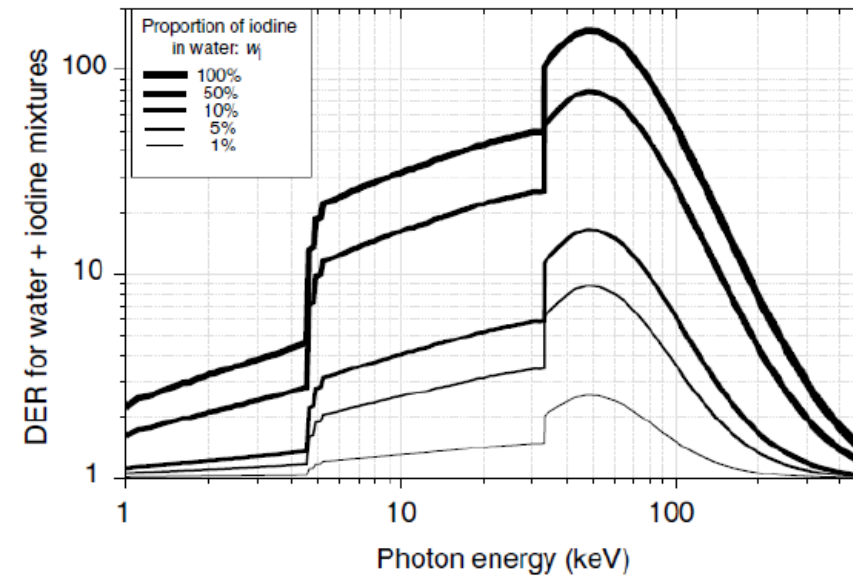


Figure 1 Energy dependence of the theoretical dose-enhancement ratio for several iodine aqueous mixtures (from bottom to top, the mass proportion of iodine in water,  $w_1$  is ranging from 0.01 to 1).

- Studio del mezzo (nanoparticelle?) e sua concentrazione per dose enhancement effect
- Misura dell'effetto biologico
- Confronto con la tecnica tradizionale
- Phase contrast imaging con mezzo contrasto



# DOSIMETRY



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# Glandular dose in breast computed tomography with synchrotron radiation

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## Abstract

The purpose of this work is to provide an evaluation of the mean glandular dose (MGD) for breast computed tomography (CT) with synchrotron radiation in an axial scanning configuration with a

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Abstract

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2. Material and methods

3. Results

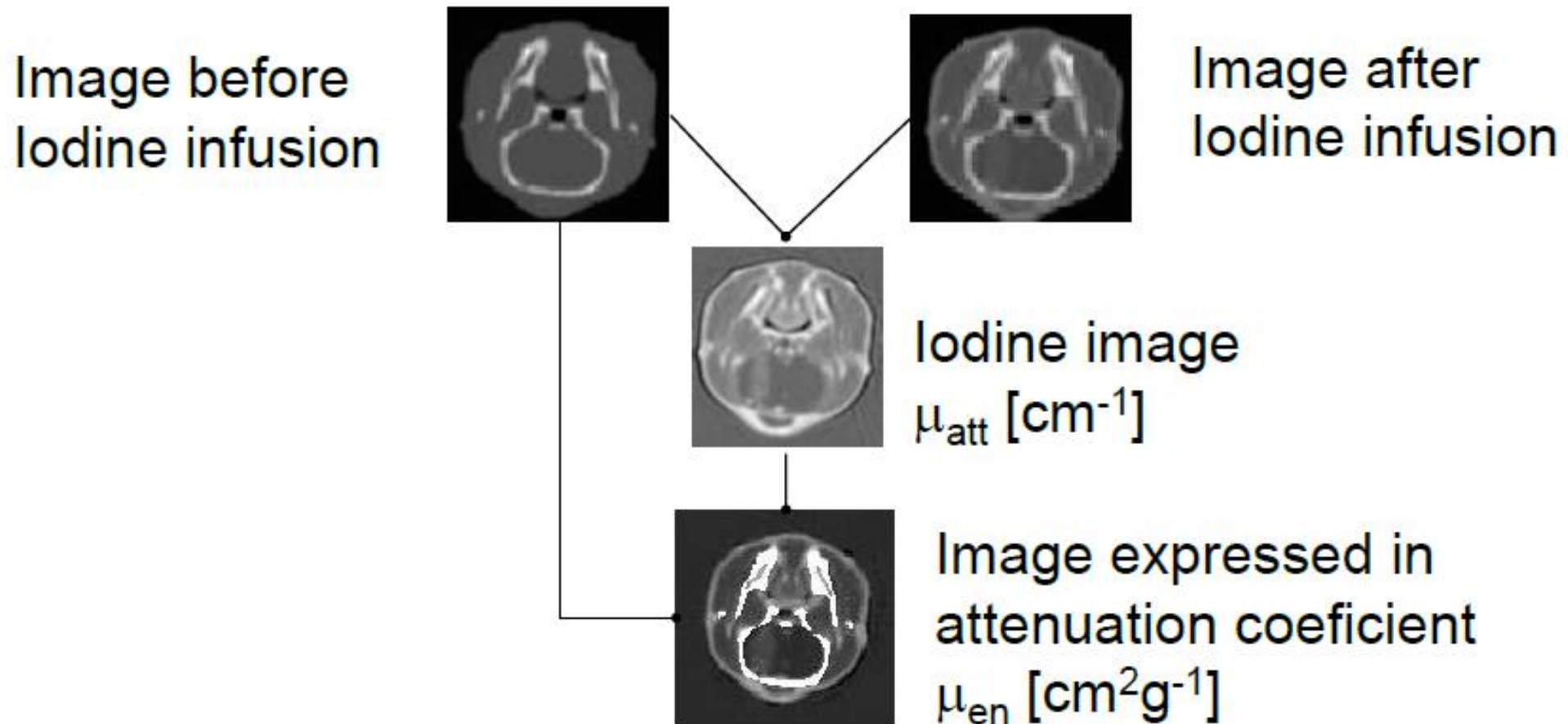
4. Discussion

5. Conclusions

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# DOSE COMPUTATION



$$Dose[Gy] = \Phi_0 \cdot \exp(-\mu_{att} x) \cdot E \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_{en}}{\rho}\right)$$

- Applicazione metodi MC per valutazione dose
- Misura dell'effetto biologico



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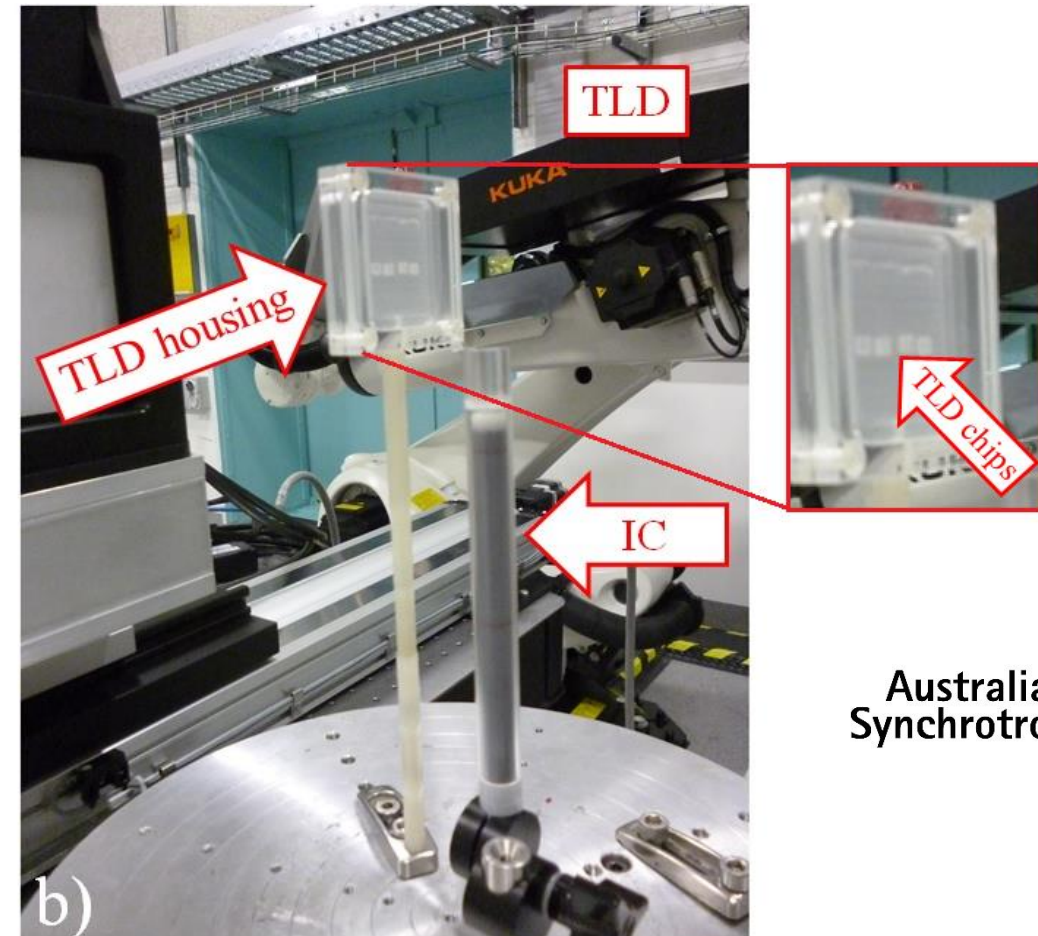
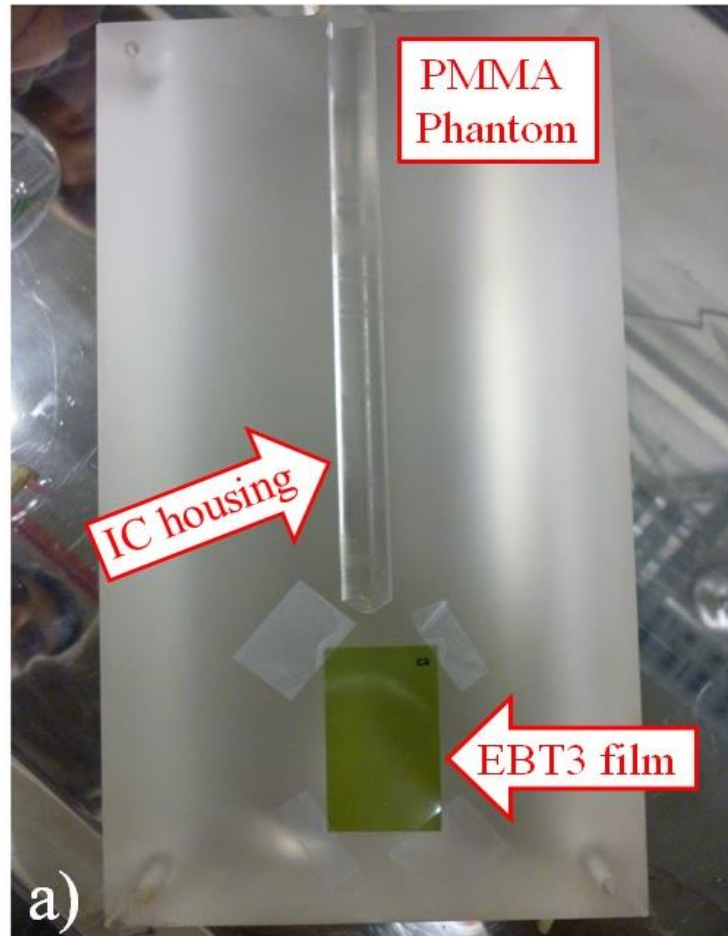


Photo of the midplane face of the two halves cylindrical PMMA phantom containing a cavity for the ionization chamber and with the EBT3 film in place (a); Setup for TLD irradiation (b): four TLD chips inserted in the PMMA housing and 100-mm pencil ionization chamber (IC) placed along the vertical direction. The inset shows the four chips in place in the housing.

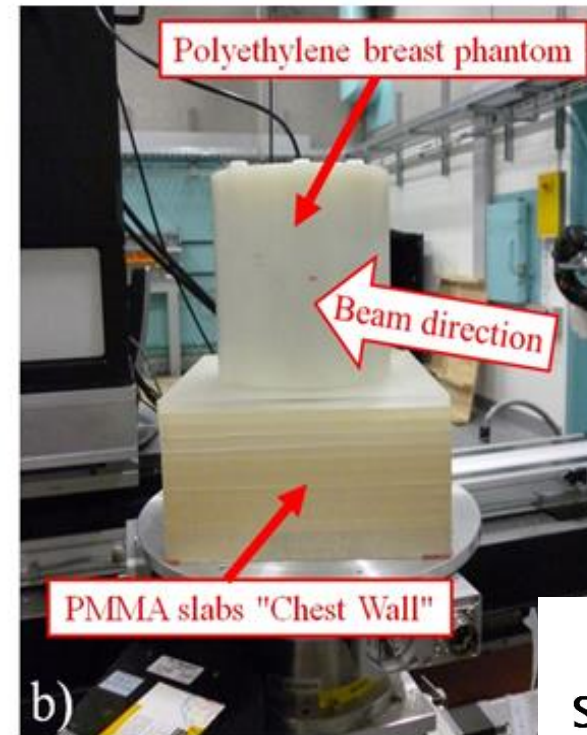
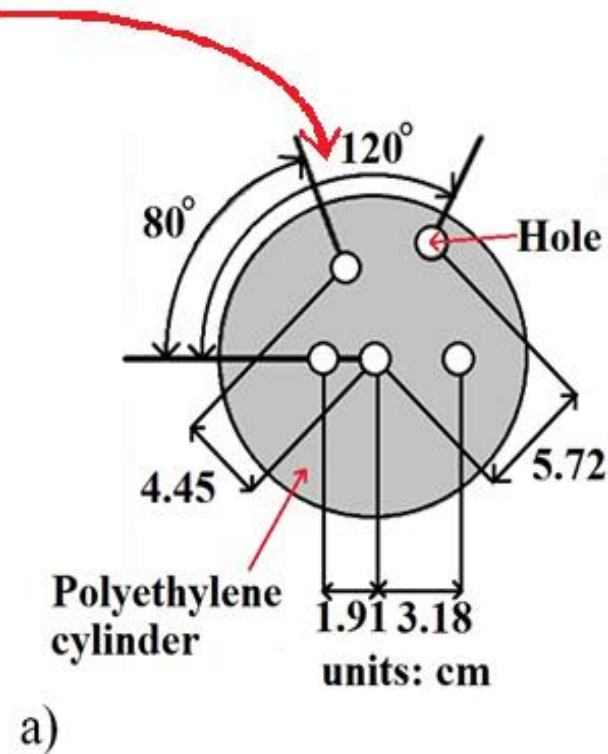
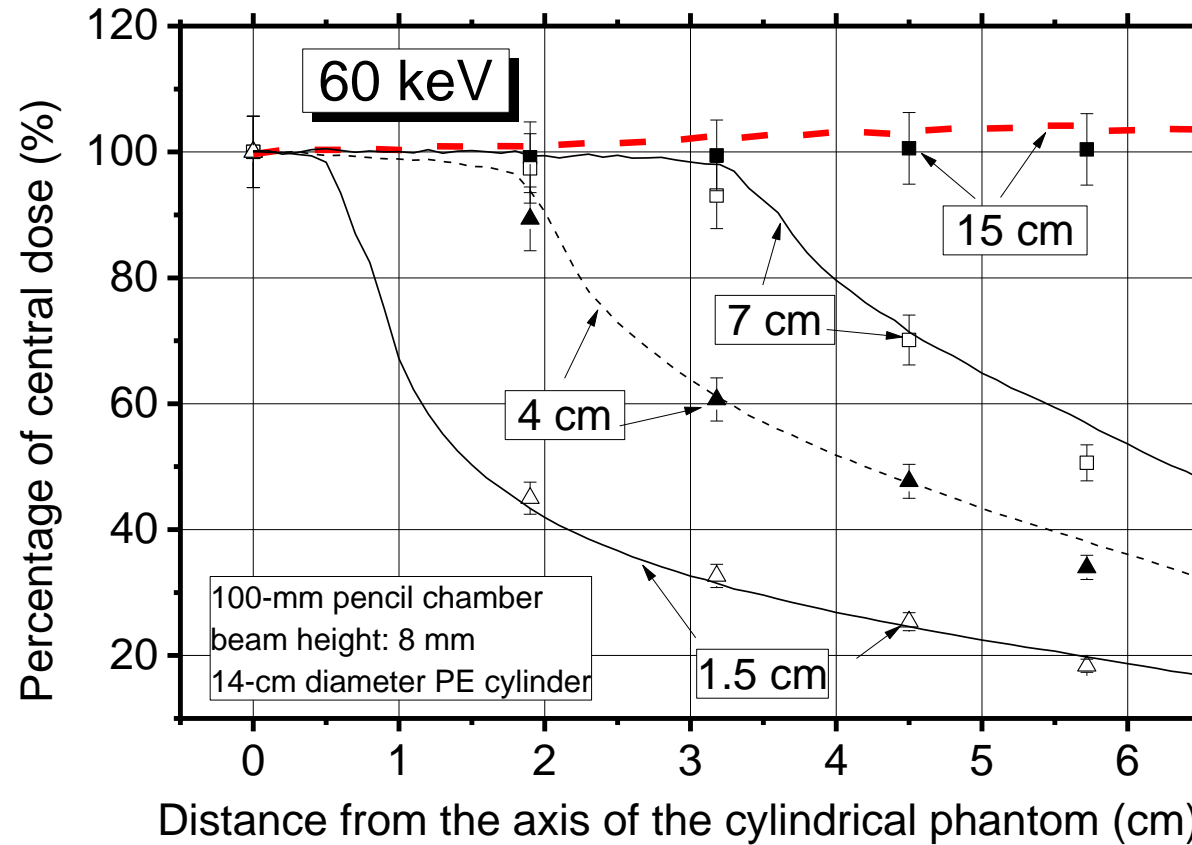


Photo and scheme of the polyethylene cylindrical phantom with five cylindrical holes at various radial distances for hosting a 100-mm long ion chamber (a). Experimental setup for radial dose profile measurement, in this image the IC is positioned in the central hole of the phantom (b).

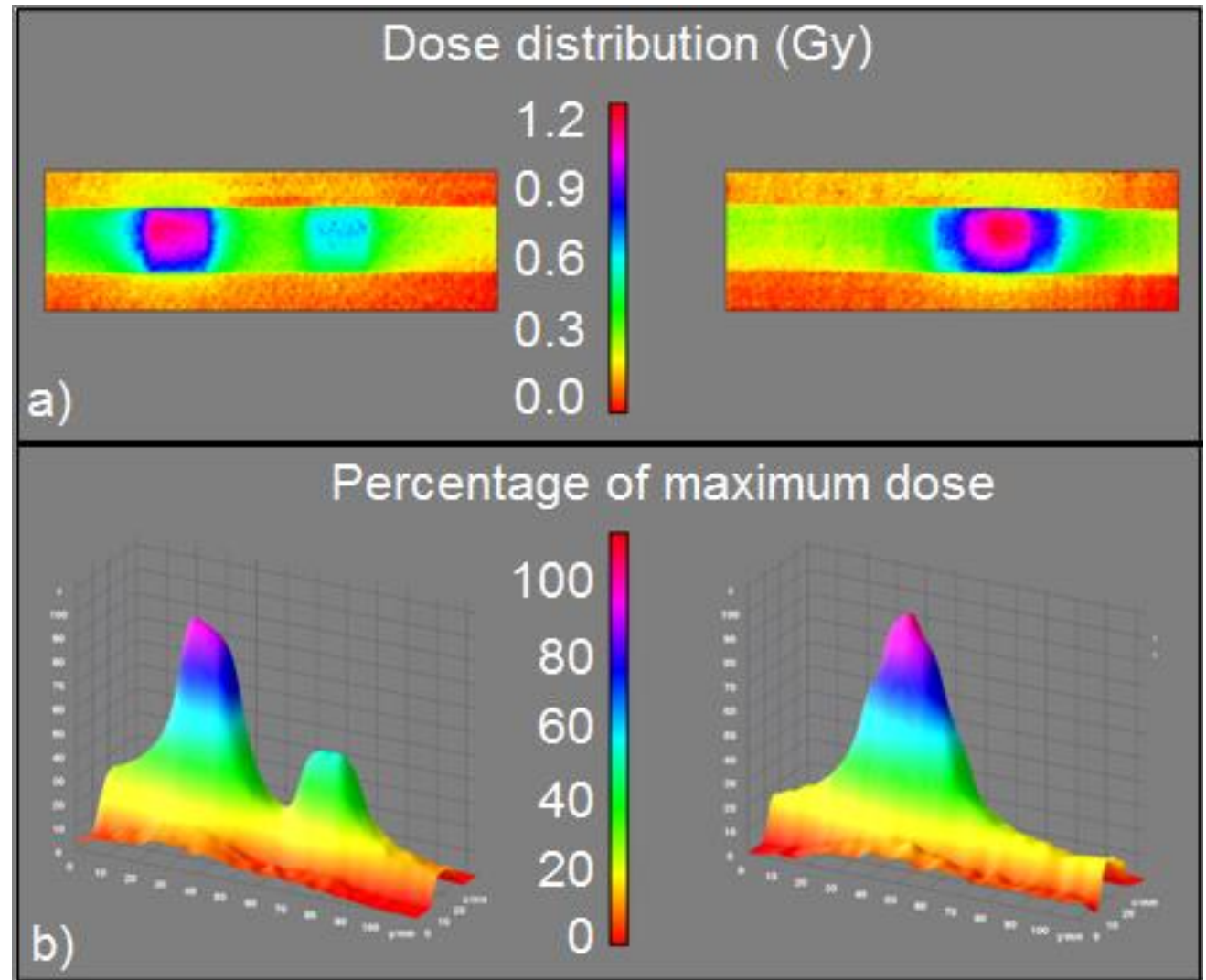
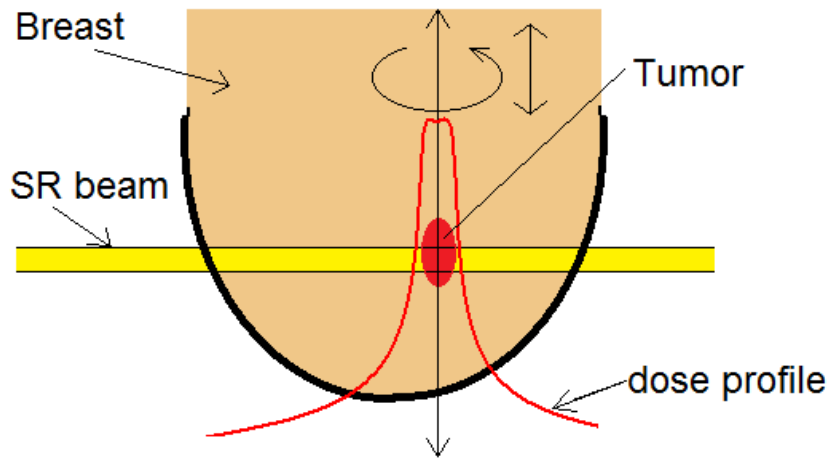


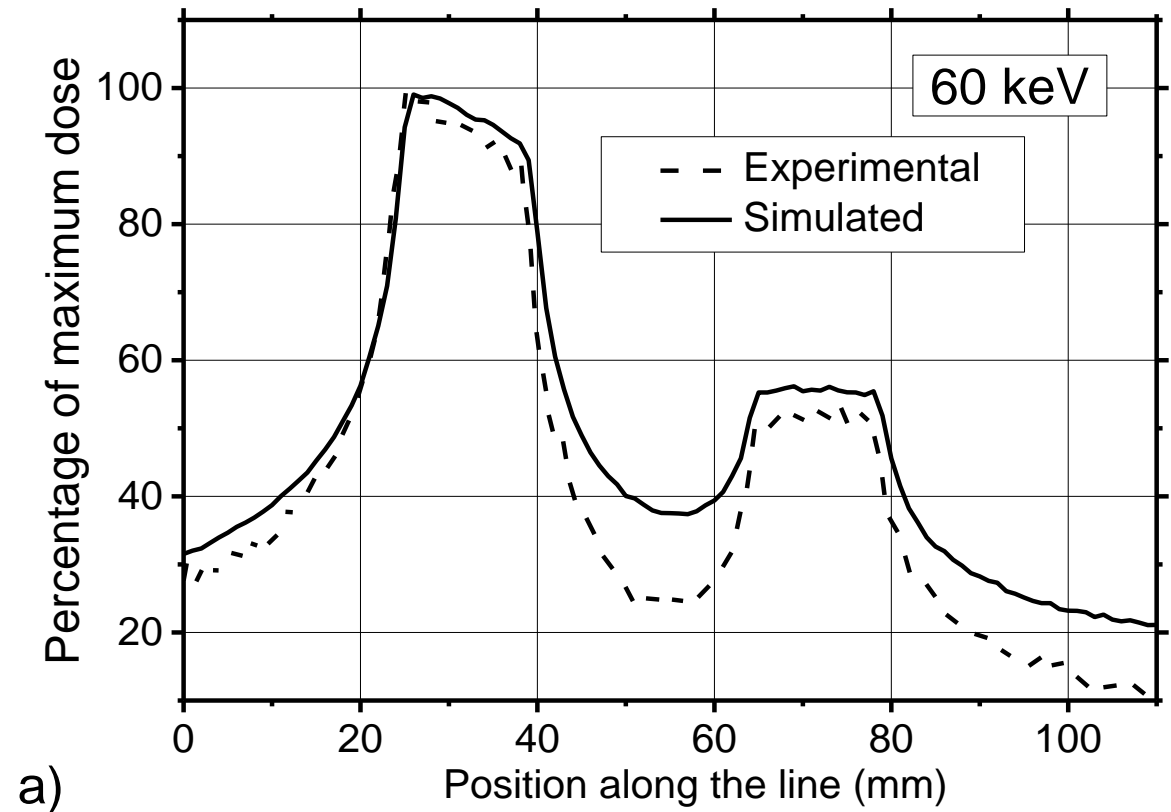
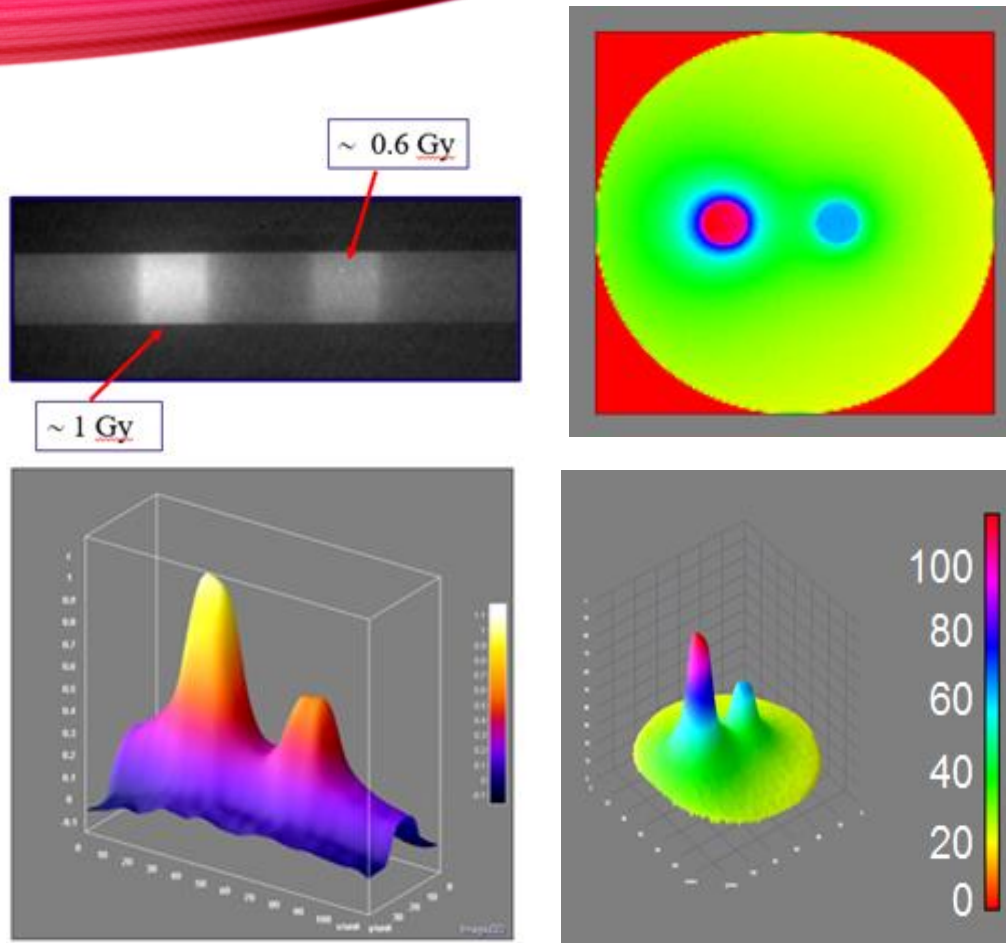


Comparison between the measured (symbols) and simulated (lines) relative air kerma in a 14-cm diameter polyethylene cylindrical phantom for beam width of 1.5, 4, 7 and 15 cm. For the MC simulation, the dose distribution was evaluated by integrating the dose along 100 mm in the direction of the cylinder axis.



# PRIME MISURE

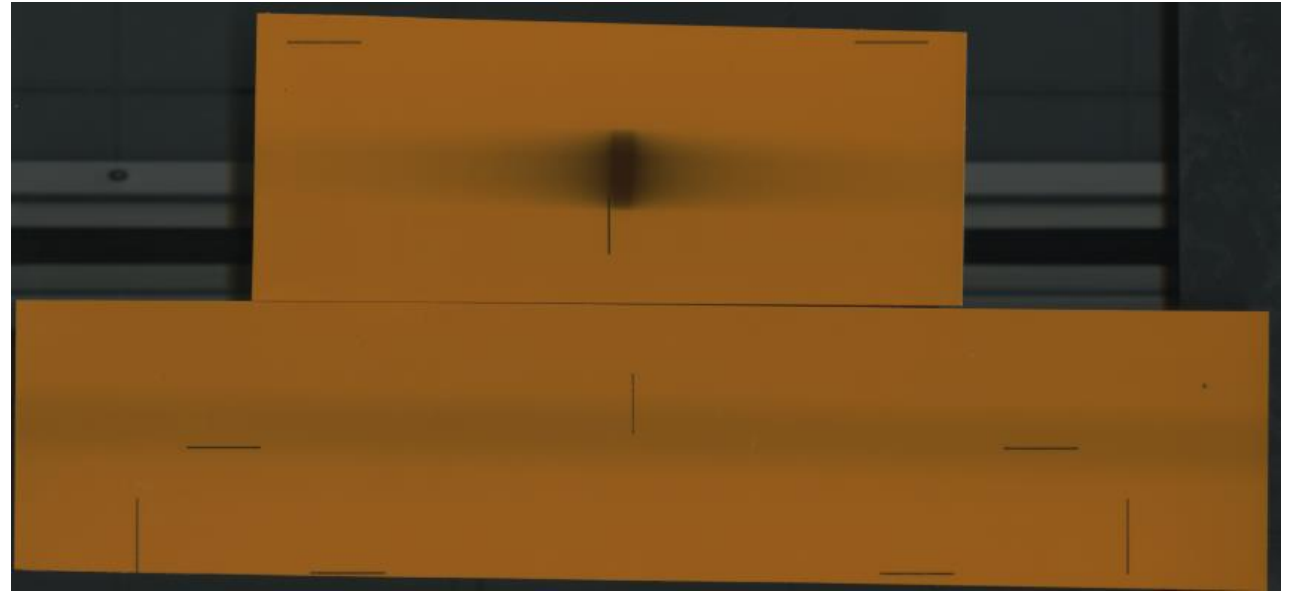
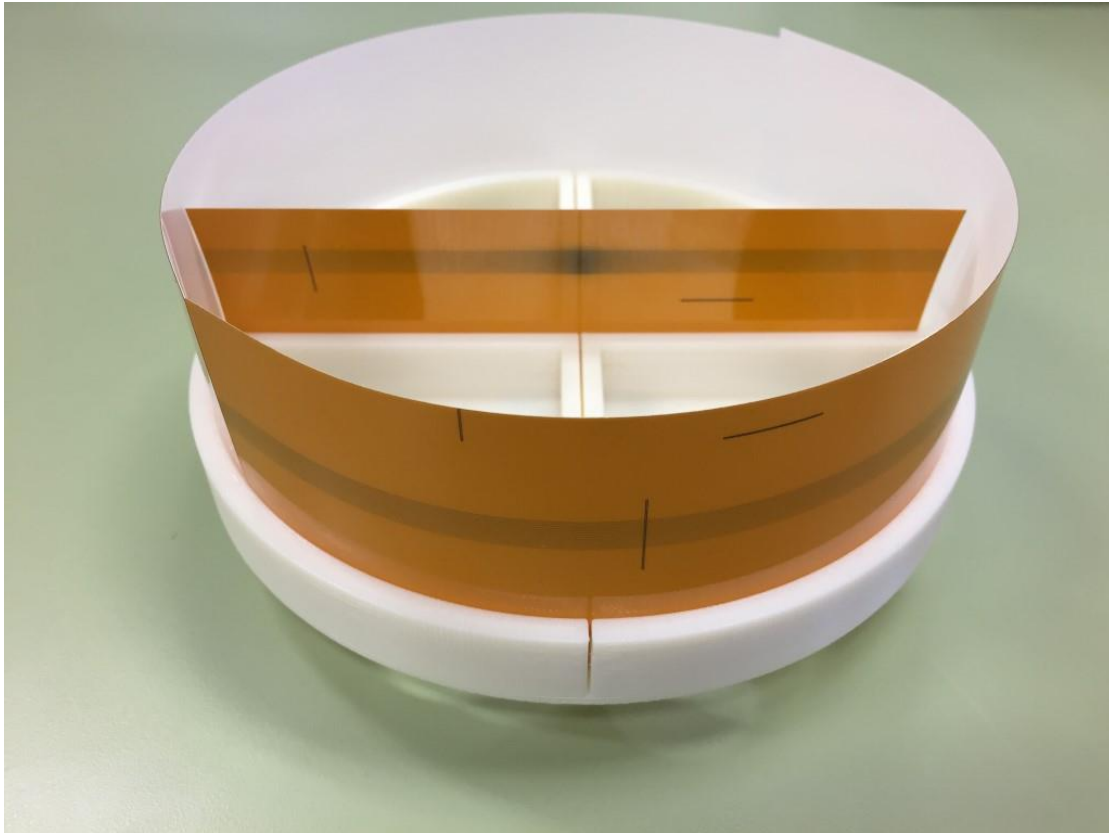




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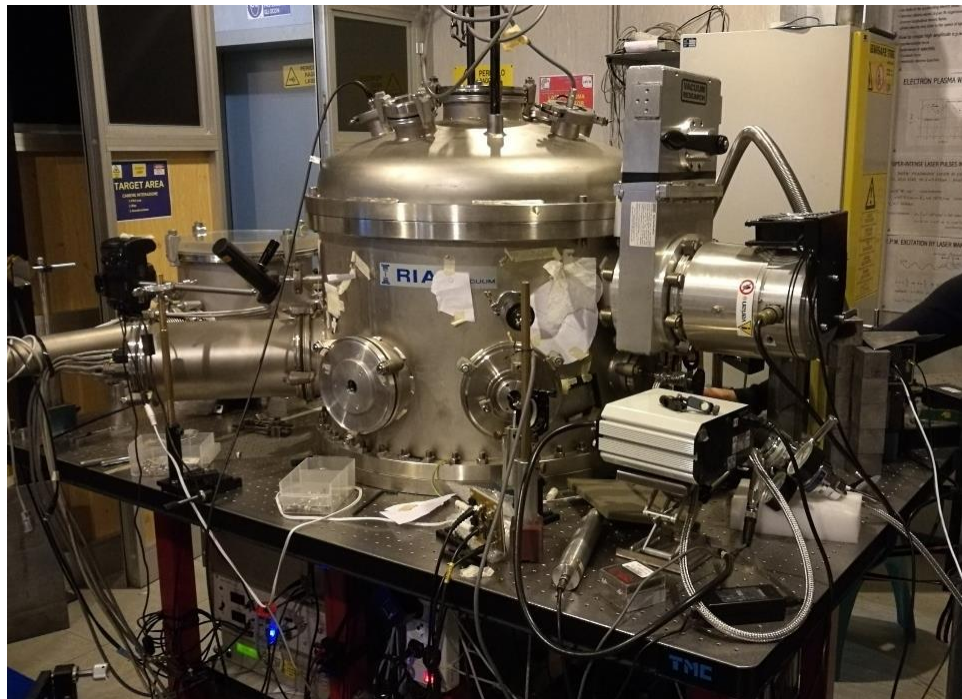
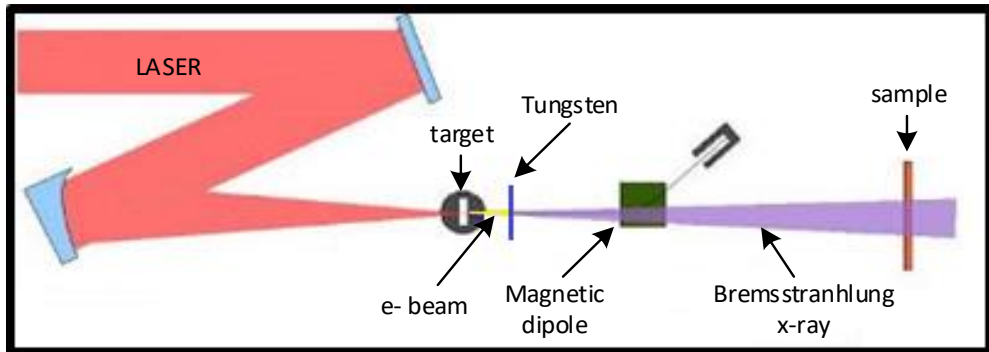
Dose distributions (a) evaluated with radiochromic film EBT3 at midplane in a 14-cm diameter PMMA phantom and (b) surface plot of percentage of maximum dose: two off-center foci. The dose distribution was obtained with two full rotations of the phantom with displaced axis of rotation and different target doses.

# SPIRAL MICRO-BEAM RADIATION THERAPY





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## Caratteristiche sorgente

Compton mono-chromatic X-ray beam

Energy: 30 -150 keV

Flux:  $10^{13}$  photons/s



Phase	X-Ray photon energy (keV)	X-ray flux (ph/s)	
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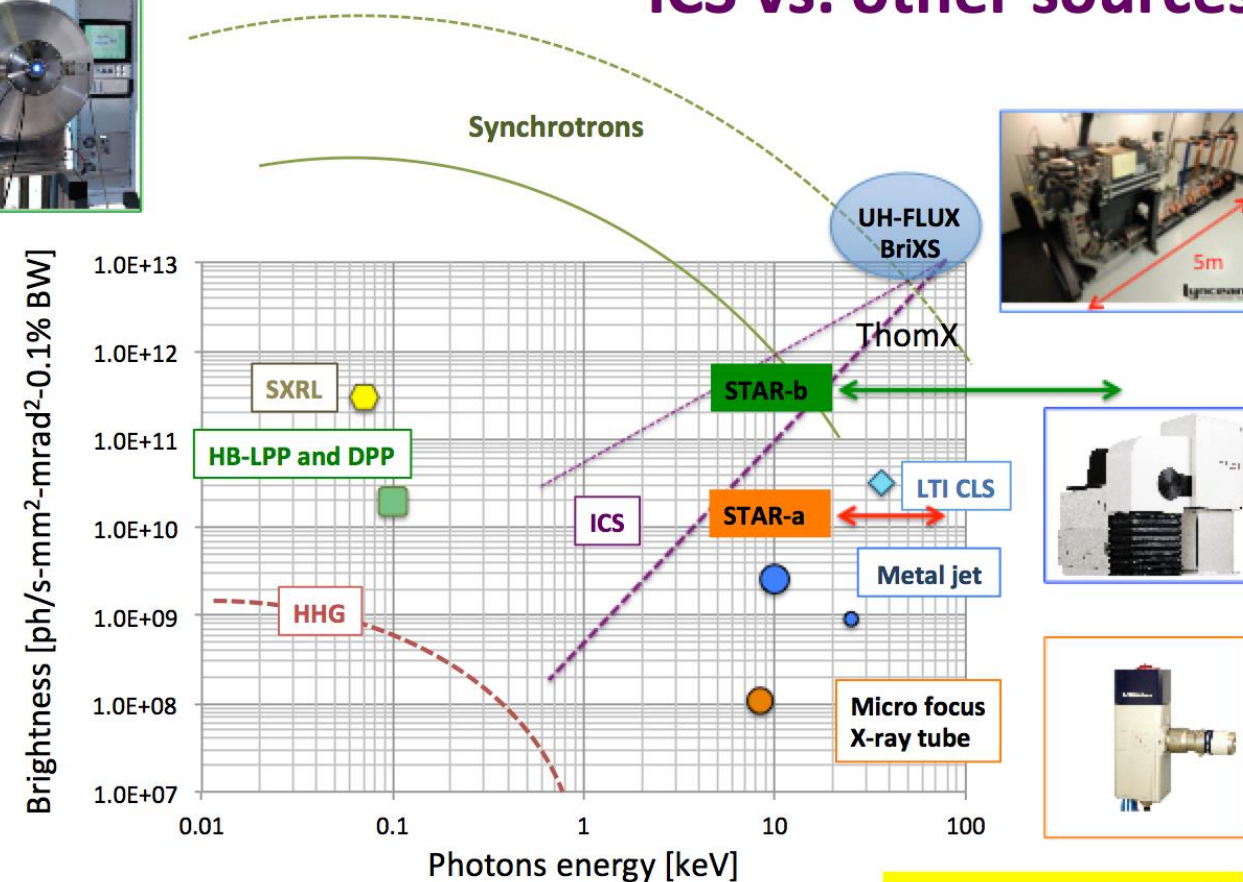
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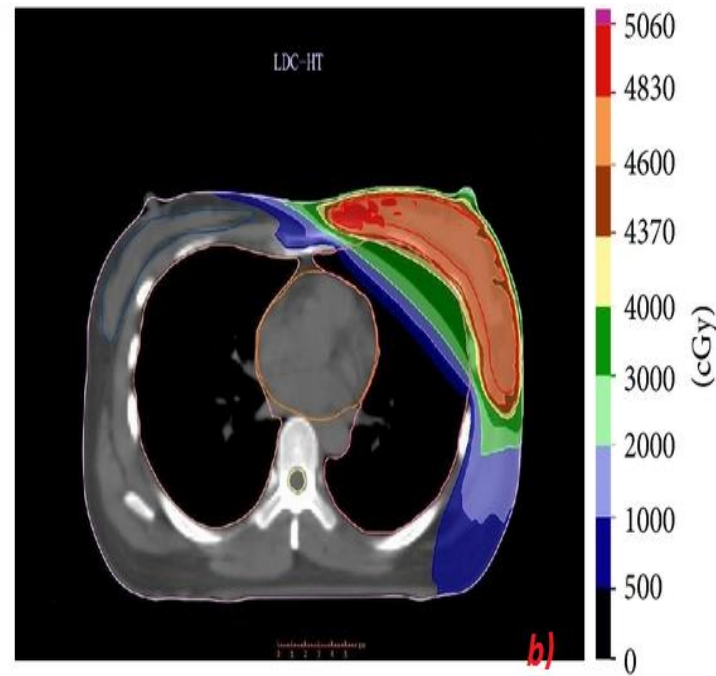
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# RADIOTERAPIA CONVENZIONALE



a)



b)

- a) Utilizzo di acceleratori lineari al megavoltaggio (LINAC) e 2 fasci incidenti lateralmente nel seno
- b) Distribuzione di dose risultante e problematica legata allo “skin sparing” ed alla salvaguardia degli altri organi come il cuore (la attuale EBRT deposita sulla pelle fino al 40% della dose al tumore  $\approx 20$  Gy)