



IV FOOT Collaboration Meeting

Radiobiological impact of proton target fragments and sensitivity analysis

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FOOT link Aim

Calculate the correlation between FOOT results uncertainty and biological dose uncertainty;

cross check Monte Carlo simulations with experimental data





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Energy deposition study: Fragments depth distribution, $E_0=150 \text{MeV}^1$



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Energy deposition study: Spectra analysis for each depth







The mixed field model

Primary proton's fragments are considered as secondary particles; each single spectra of those fragments is evaluated separately, considering its impact on the RBE. The total RBE is evaluated by using mixed field algorithm² ³ and LEM IV model.

$$\overline{\alpha} = \left(\sum_{l} w_{l} \frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x}(l)\right)^{-1} \sum_{l} w_{l} \frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x}(l)\alpha_{l}$$
$$\sqrt{\overline{\beta}} = \left(\sum_{l} w_{l} \frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x}(l)\right)^{-1} \sum_{l} w_{l} \frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x}(l)\sqrt{\beta_{l}}$$

where w_l denotes the relative weight of the radiation component l and



 α_l,β_l are the α_D,β_D values in low dose approximation

²M. Zaider and H.H. Rossi 1980 Rad. Res. 83:732–9

⁹M. Krämer and M. Scholz 2006 Phys. Med. Biol. 51:1959–1970





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Spectra data

The initial fluence spectra have been obtained performing a Monte Carlo simulation with SHIELD-HIT12A 45 v.7.0.3 as

- ▶ 150 MeV proton in water
- scoring the fluence of all the produced particles integrating all the isotopes (Z,A): (2,4); (3,7); (4,9); (5,11); (6,12); (7,14); (8,16)
- Ionization Potential I = 75.321 eV
- $\blacktriangleright \ \Delta E_{protons} = 0.1 MeV \ , \ \Delta E_{fragments} = 0.01 MeV$
- $\blacktriangleright \Delta z = 0.5mm$

And these results have been compared with the default ${\rm LUT^6}$ of TRiP98 TPS

⁰Look Up Table

⁴This research was supported in part by PL-Grid infrastructure

⁵Bassler N, Hansen DC, Lühr A, et al. SHIELD-HIT12A – a Monte Carlo particle transport program for ion therapy research. J Phys Conf Ser. 2014;489:12004.







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Spectra data: 14cm zoom 10-3 □ Z=4,A=9 10-4 Z=7,A=14 Z=1,A=1 dN/dE[1/(MeV/u)] ___01 ___01 ___01 ___01 ___01 10-5 Z=2,A=4 □ Z=9,A=19 Z=8,A=16 □ Z=3,A=7 **∏** Z=6,A=12 Z=5,A=11 10⁻⁹ 10-10 Ô 2 6 8 10 12 E[MeV/u]

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Biological dose comparison:



The following results show the biological dose evaluated by the TPS based on the spectra including all fragments. All the plots refer to the central line of the CT





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FOOT sensitivity analysis: Work-flow

- ► Input: row Monte Carlo spectra ($E_0 = 150 MeV$, $\Delta E = 0.1 mm$, scoring E_{kin})
- Application of gaussian-like error of μ =bin center, ($0.1 \le \sigma \le 10$)MeV with $\Delta \sigma = 0.1 MeV$
- Evaluation of the impact of this error on the biological dose error for various tissues (different α/β ratio) and various depths, for each ion and for total dose





FOOT sensitivity analysis: Physical dose, $\sigma = 5MeV, Z = 0, 5cm$, cho cells







FOOT sensitivity analysis: Biological dose, $\sigma = 5MeV, Z = 0, 5cm$, cho cells







FOOT sensitivity analysis: Total Bio dose, $\sigma = 5MeV, Z = 0, 5cm$, cho cells







FOOT sensitivity analysis: Biological dose, $\sigma = 5MeV$, Z = 0, 5cm, skin cells







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FOOT sensitivity analysis: Total Biological dose error vs σ_{Error}



























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Future perspectives



- ^I Cross check with new FLUKA MC results
- \blacksquare RBE \propto Dose analysis
 - Systematic study on energies



LET comparison



Full treatment evaluation with TRiP98 TPS



Computed spectra validation with FOOT experimental data

