

MICROBE-IT:

MICROdosimetry-based Biological Effectiveness assessment in Ion Therapy

WP2 - linking N/MD to RB

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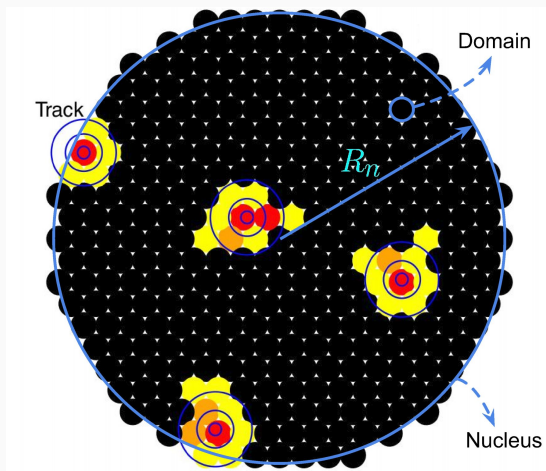
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WP2: Outlook

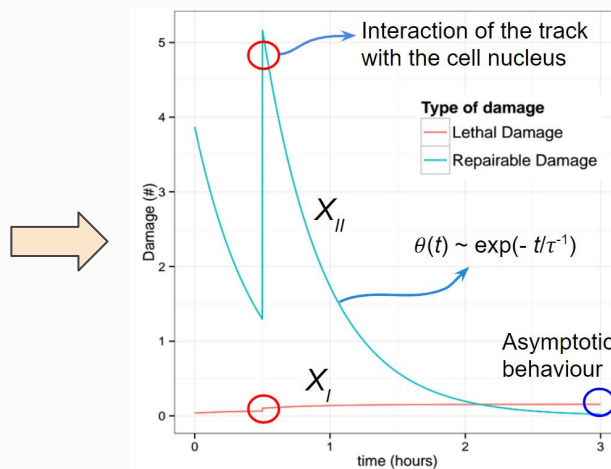
- The Microdosimetric Kinetic Model (MKM) approach(es)
- Open issues and improvements
⇒ The GSM² (*Generalized Stochastic MD Model*)
 - “Inter-” and “intra-cell” stochasticity
 - Repair kinetics
 - Track structure information
 - Mixed Fields open issues
- Exp. validation
- 1^o year objectives and milestones

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Linking Microdosimetry to Radiobiology: the MKM approach



Multi-track energy deposition pattern in cell nucleus



DNA Repair kinetics



(VE Bellinzona, FG Francesco, M Missiaggia, F Tommasino, E Scifoni, C La Tessa and A Attili (2021) Linking microdosimetric measurements to biological effectiveness in ion beam therapy: a review of theoretical aspects of MKM and other models, *Frontiers in Physics*, doi: 10.3389/fphy.2020.578492)

Linking Microdosimetry to Radiobiology: the MKM approach

Microdosimetry

Structural Microdosimetry/
Nanodosimetry

Track Models/MC

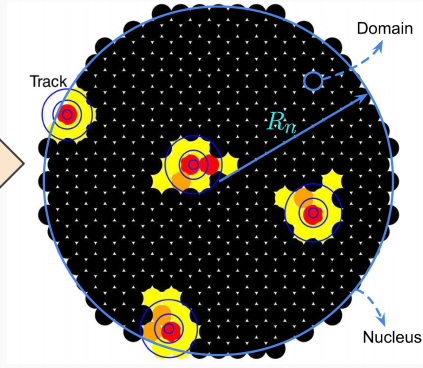
MCL

$$\{z_d, z_n\}$$

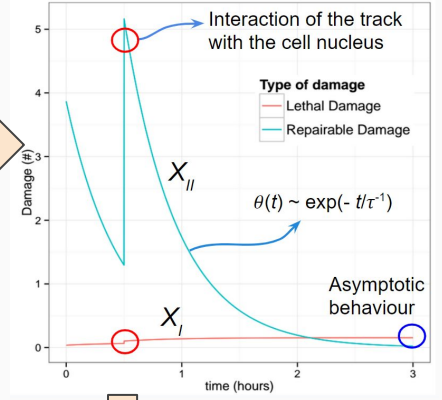
$$\langle z_d \rangle^*, \langle z_d^2 \rangle^*$$

Energy deposition spectrum

“corrected” first and second moment



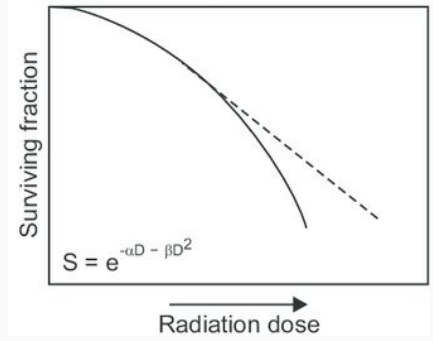
Multi-track energy deposition pattern



DNA Repair kinetics
(deterministic approx.)

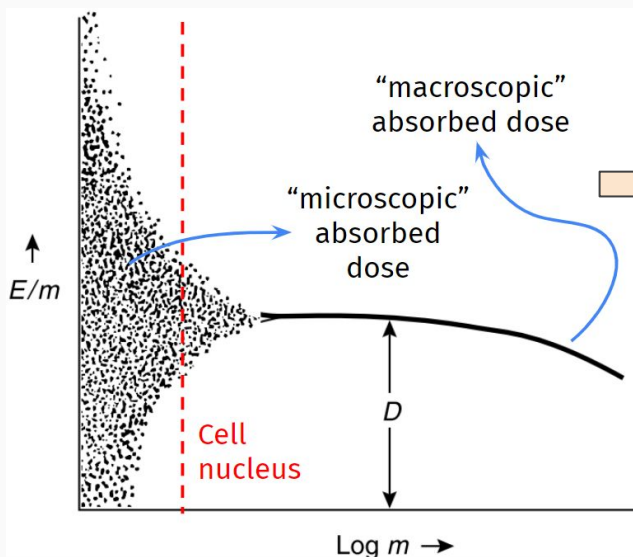
Poisson approx.

LQ model

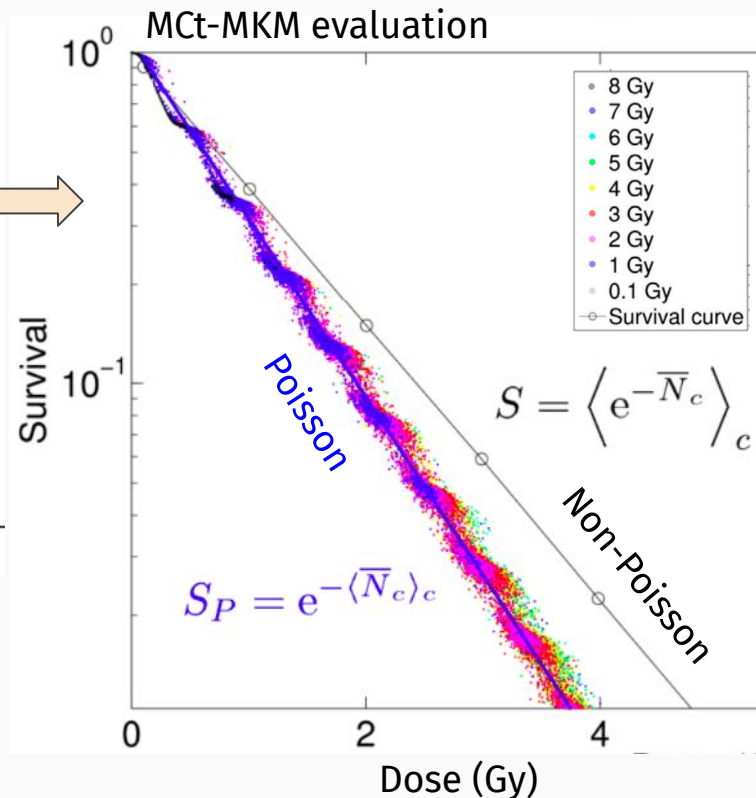


Cell Survival

“Inter-cell” stochastic processes - Energy deposition (d,n)



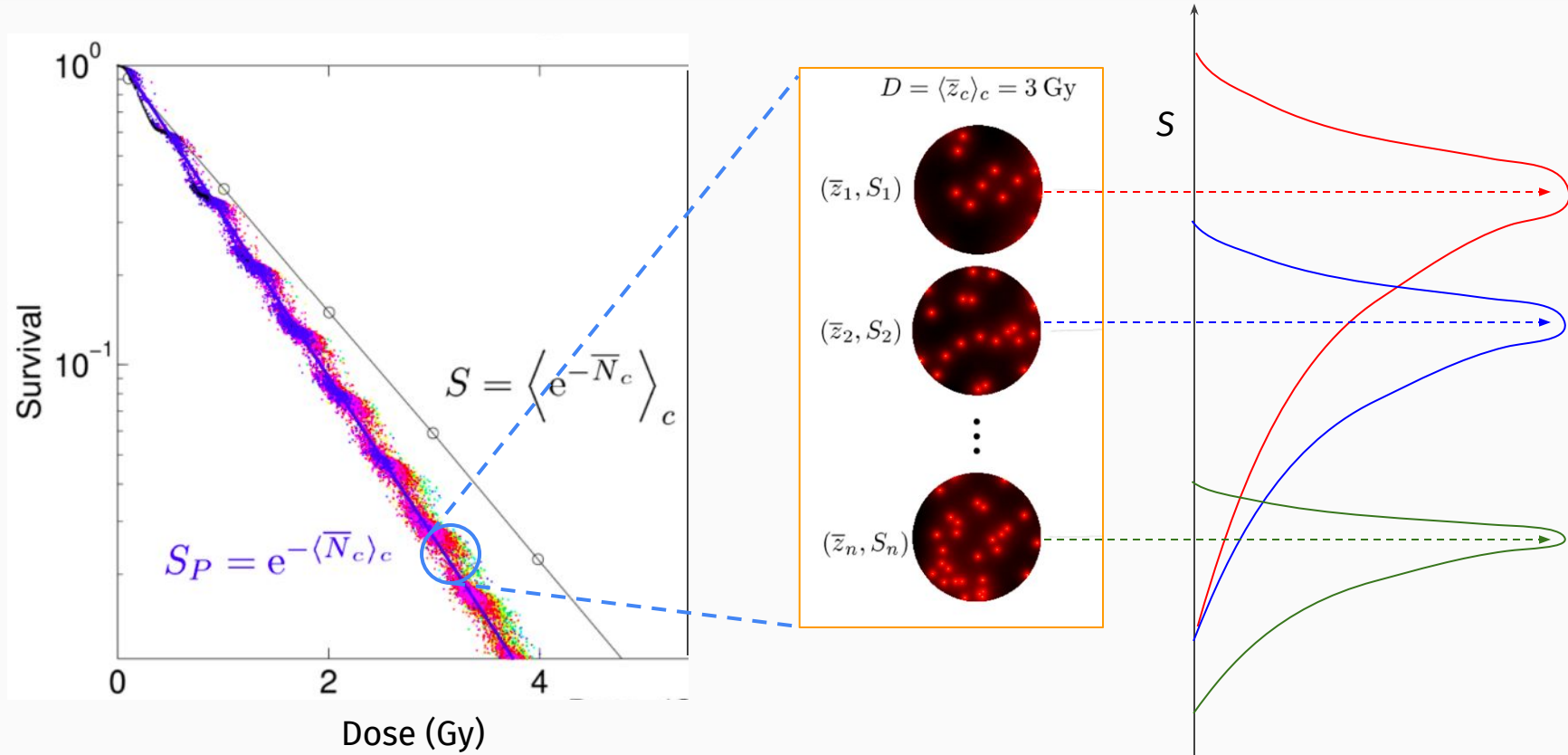
- Fluctuations play a major role at the level of cellular masses / volumes.



MKM approaches:

- Non-Poisson correction
- “Saturation” correction (used clinically)
- SMKM e DSMKM
- MCT-MKM (time-resolved MC approach)
- **GSM²** (generalized stochastic microdosimetric model).

“Intra-cell” stochastic processes - Cell response (GSM²)



Repair Kinetics investigations

- First order repair:

$$dY/dt = -CY$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta(t) = \exp(-\lambda t)$$

$$\lambda = \ln 2 / T_{1/2}$$

- Multi time constant repair:

$$\Rightarrow \theta(t) = \sum_i A_i \exp(-\lambda_i t)$$

- Second order repair:

$$dY/dt = -CY^2$$

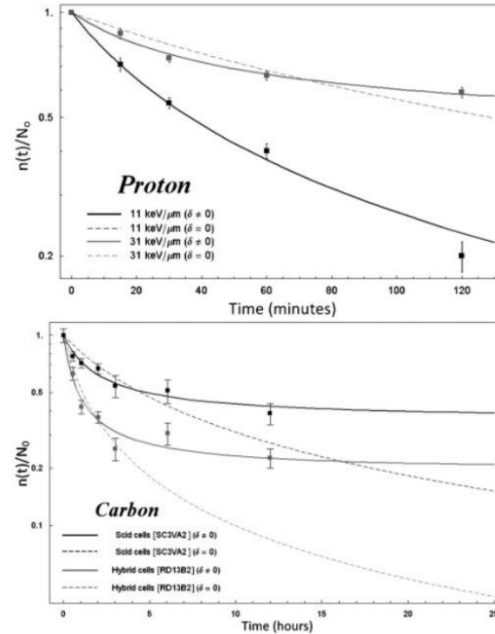
$$\Rightarrow \theta(t) = 1/(zt + 1)$$

$$z^{-1} = T_{1/2}$$

- Second order repair with fraction of irreparable damage (δ):

$$d(Y - \delta)/dt = -C(Y - \delta)^2$$

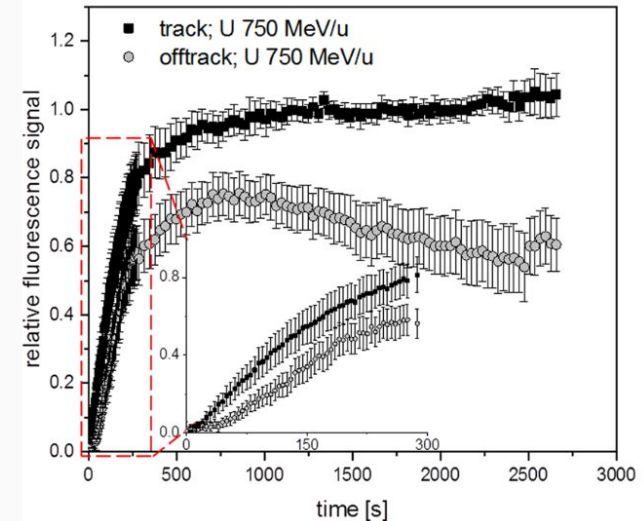
$$\Rightarrow \theta(t) = (1 + (\delta/Y(0))zt)/(zt + 1)$$



DSB Repair kinetics in V79 exposed with protons and Scid (SC3VA) exposed with Carbon ions.^a

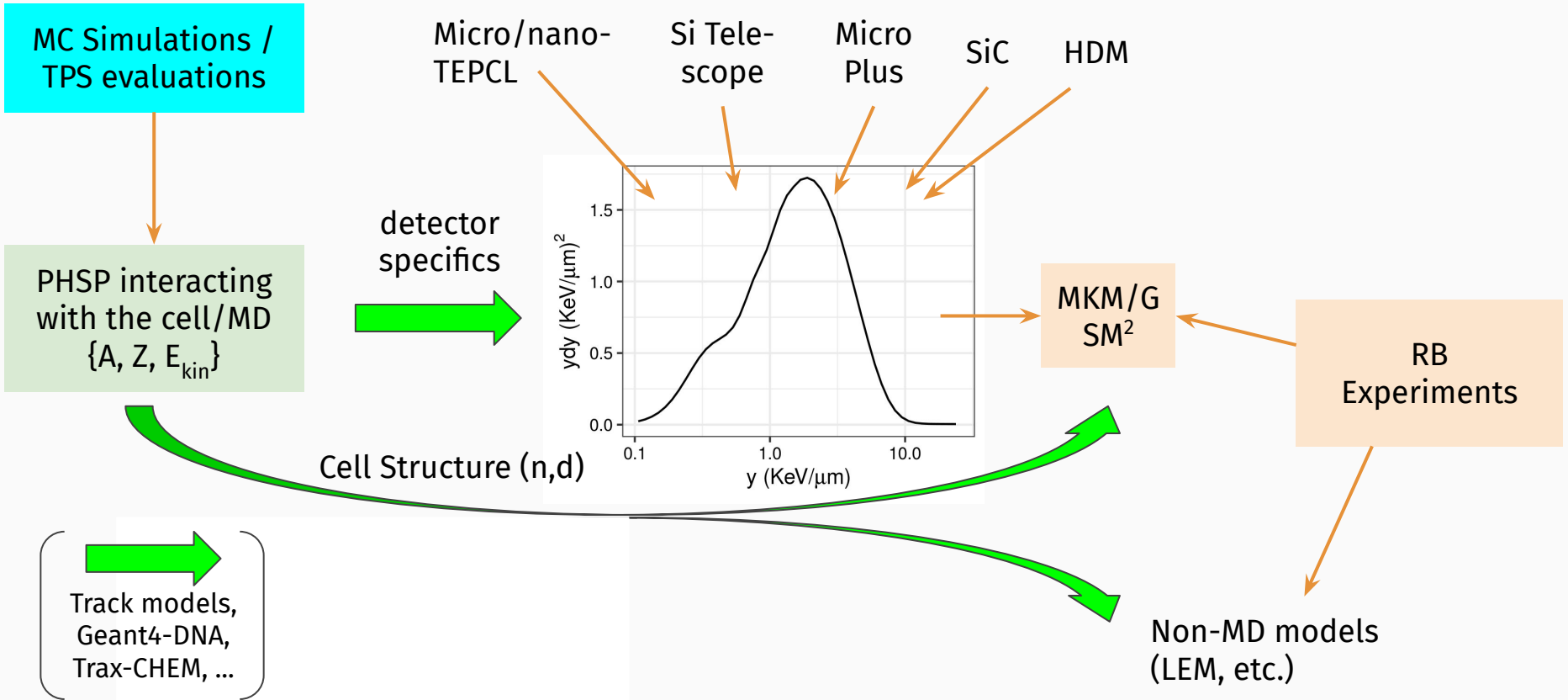
^aA. Carabe-Fernandez et al., *Br. J. Radiol.* **84** (2011)

Differential Repair kinetics (?)

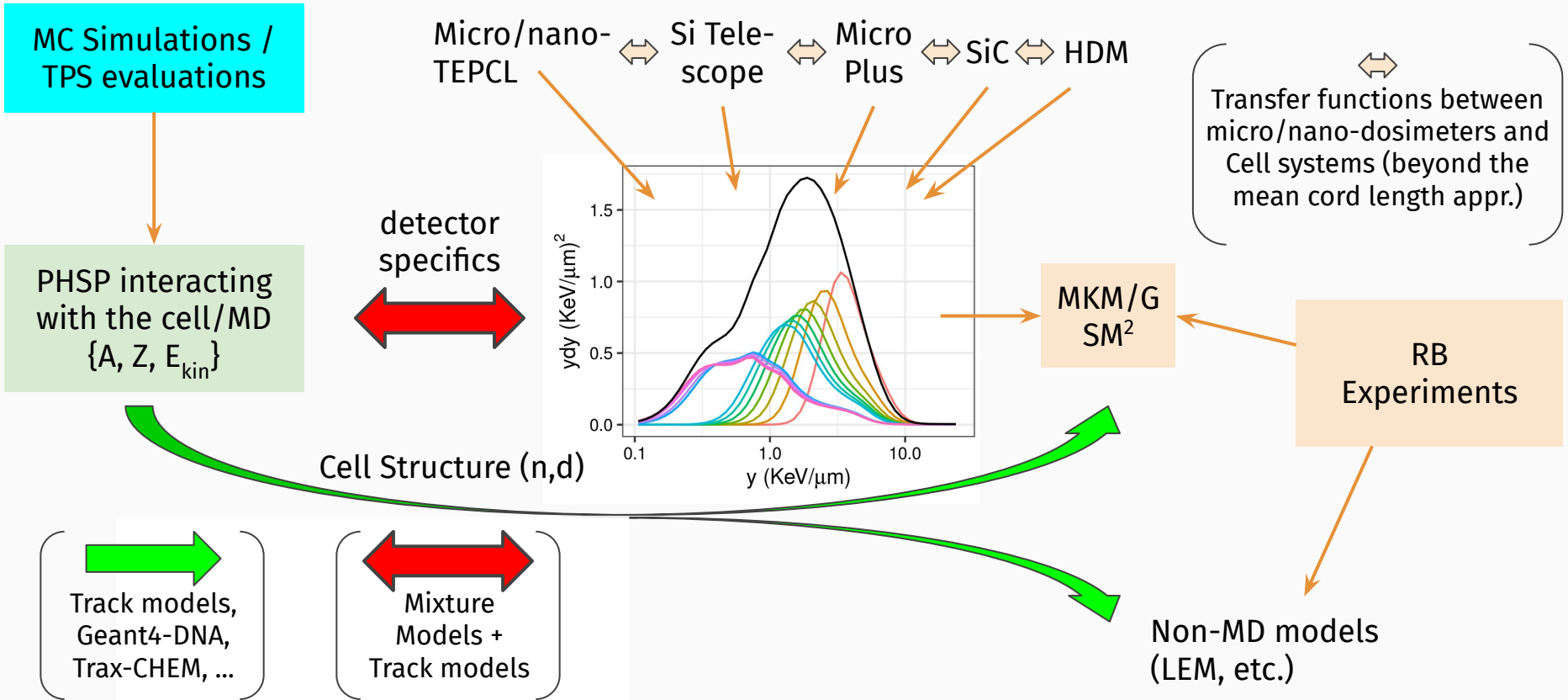


Jakob, B., et al. (2020), *Scientific Reports*, 10(1), 1443.

Track structure information from MD spectra (?)



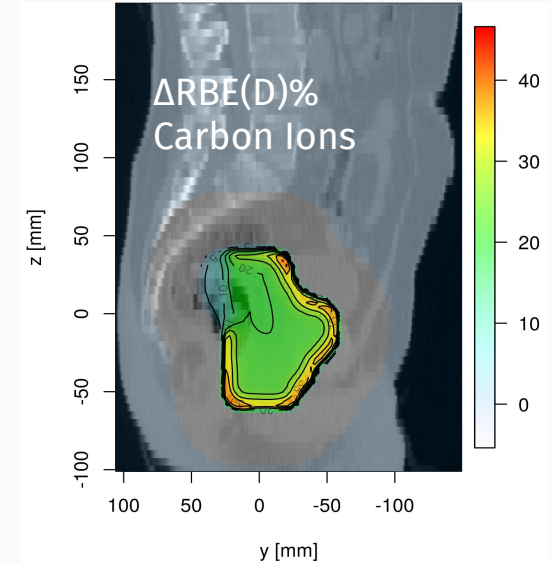
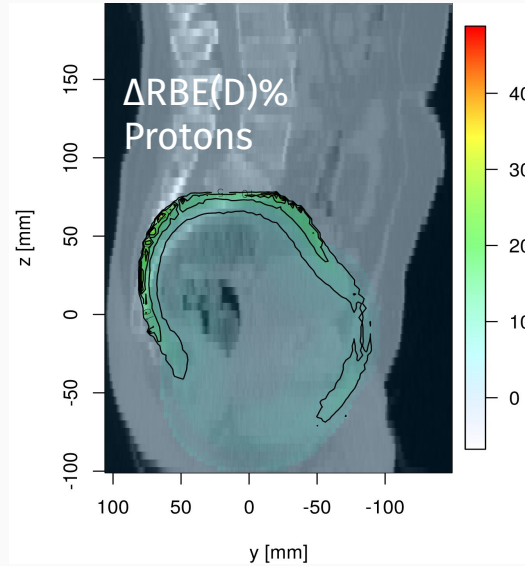
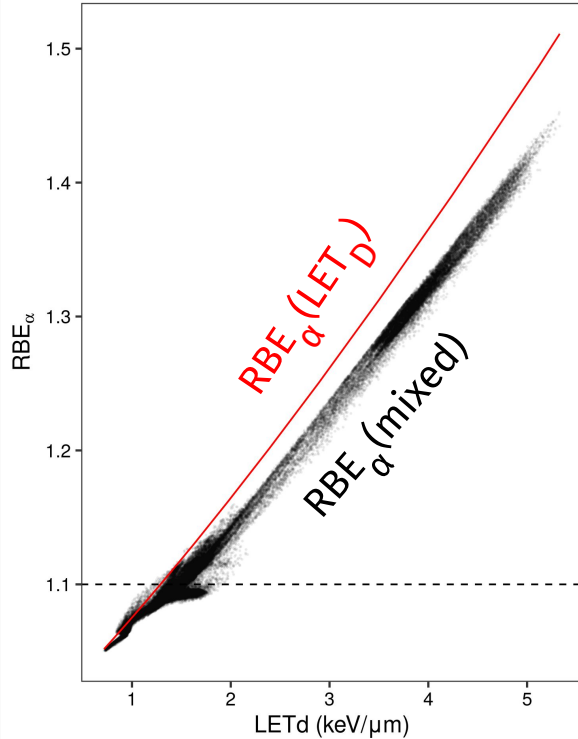
Track structure information from MD spectra (?)



The Mixed field problem in treatment simulations: LET_D vs. full spectra

plan: prostate-03, ions: H

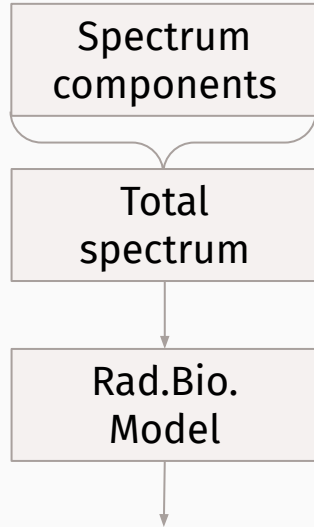
Body



$$\Delta RBE(D)\% = [RBE(D, LETD) - RBE(D, mixed)] / RBE(D, mixed) \times 100$$

The Mixed field problem in treatment simulations: pre- vs. post-mixing

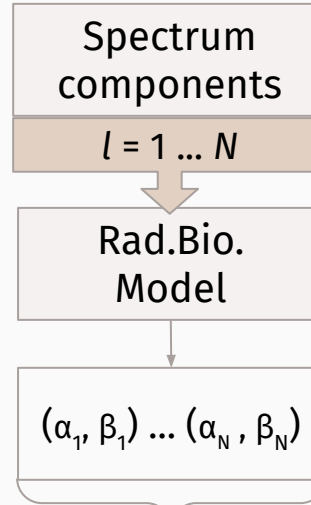
“Pre-mixing”



Full mixed effect
 (α, β)

E.g. MKM
(although only first and second component of the spectrum are commonly used)

“Post-mixing”



Full mixed effect
 (α, β)

E.g. mixed-field formalism:

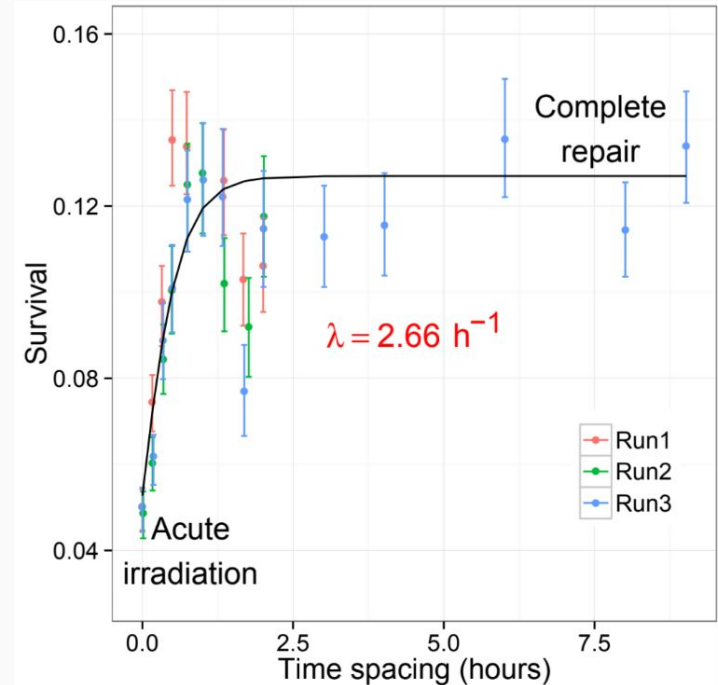
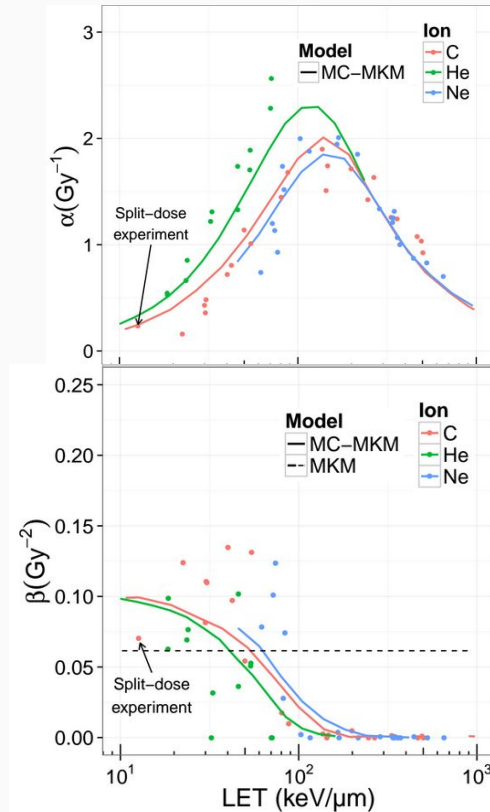
radiation component relative weight

$$\bar{\alpha} = \left(\sum_l w_l \frac{dE}{dx}(l) \right)^{-1} \sum_l w_l \frac{dE}{dx}(l) \alpha_l$$

$$\sqrt{\bar{\beta}} = \left(\sum_l w_l \frac{dE}{dx}(l) \right)^{-1} \sum_l w_l \frac{dE}{dx}(l) \sqrt{\beta_l}$$

Model verification: clonogenic assay & DNA Repair Kinetics

1. Analysis from literature (PIDE).
2. Evaluation of the influence of split-dose irradiation on survival fractions by means of **clonogenic assay** (*in vitro*).
3. Investigation of the influence of split dose-irradiation on key markers expression of DNA damage response (DDR) by **western blotting analysis** (*in vitro*).



Inaniwa T, et al. (2013), *Rad. Res.*
Manganaro L, et al. (2017), *Med. Phys.*

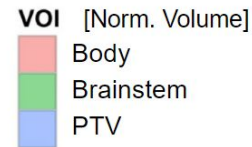
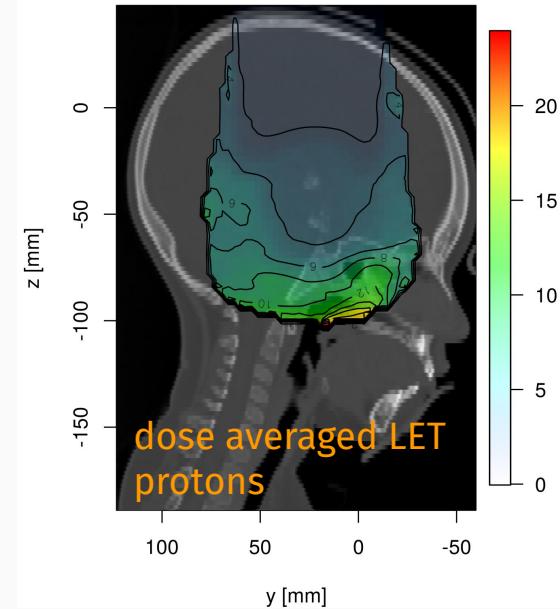
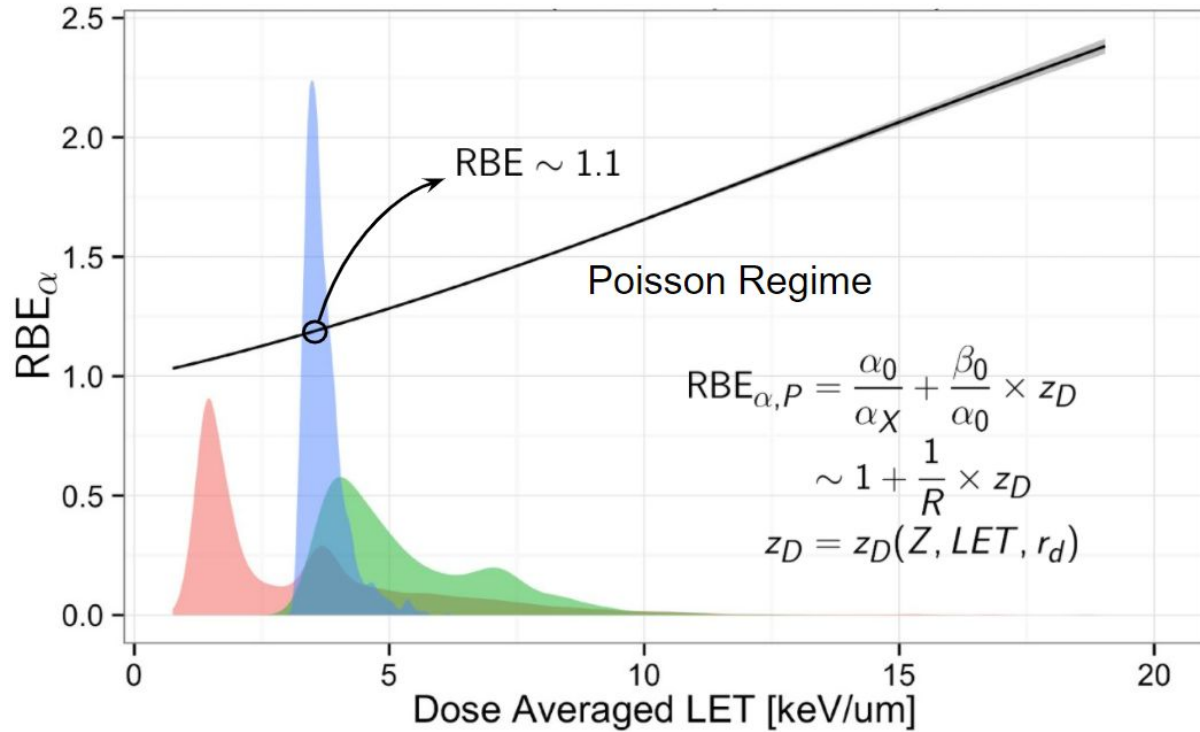
Objectives and Milestones

	2021												2022											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
M2.1 Evaluation of the effect that a dose-average LET-based description of radiation quality has on treatment planning																								
M2.2 Preliminary development of GSM2 model																								
M2.3 Radiobiological measurements (protons - TPTC)																								
M2.4 Radiobiological measurements (carbon ions - CNAO)																								
M2.5 GSM2 model optimization for including inter and intra for including inter and intra cells stochastic fluctuations																								
M2.6 RBE measurements in combination with WP1 (protons - TPTC)																								
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M2.8 GSM2 model validation and benchmark																								

Spares

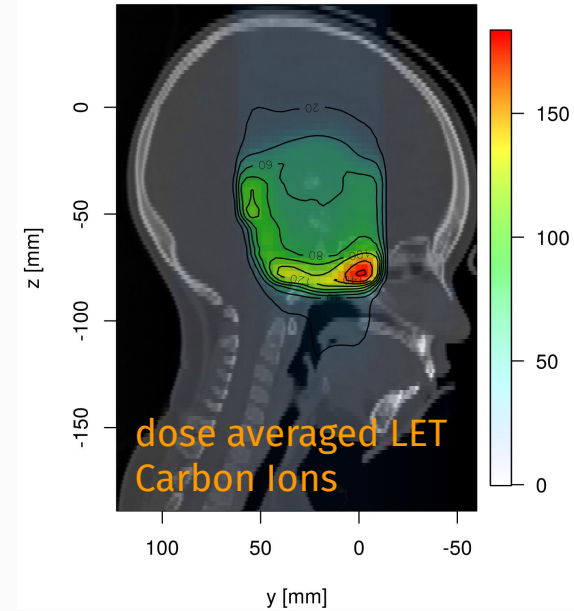
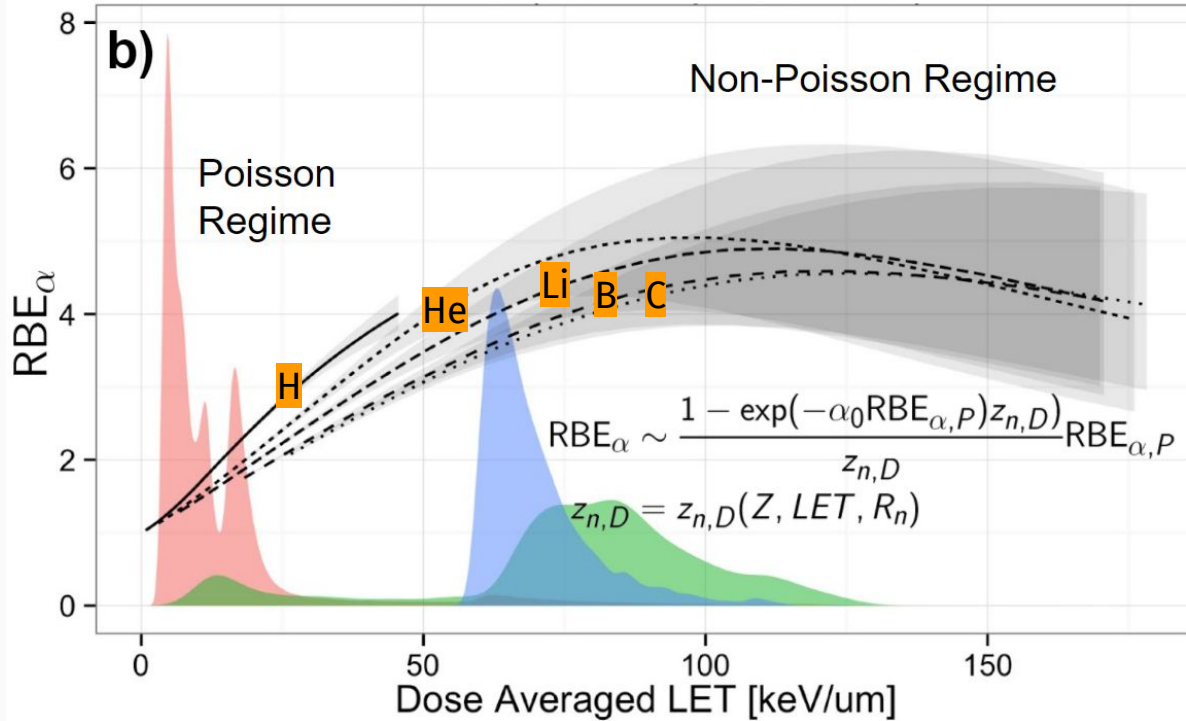
Poisson regimes in treatments

Proton treatment (pediatric H&N case)



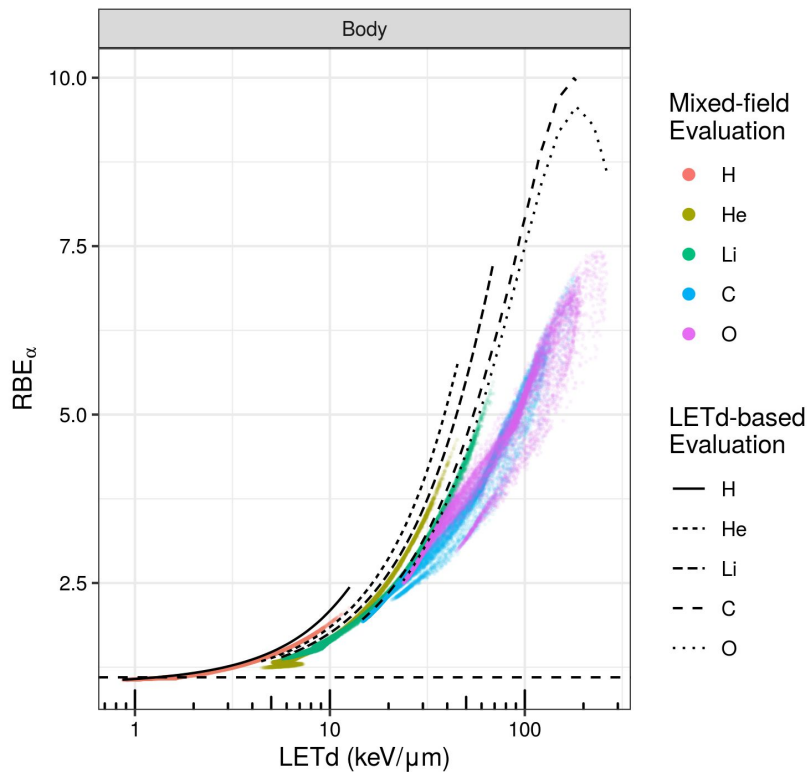
Non-Poisson regimes in treatments

Carbon ion treatment (pediatric H&N case)

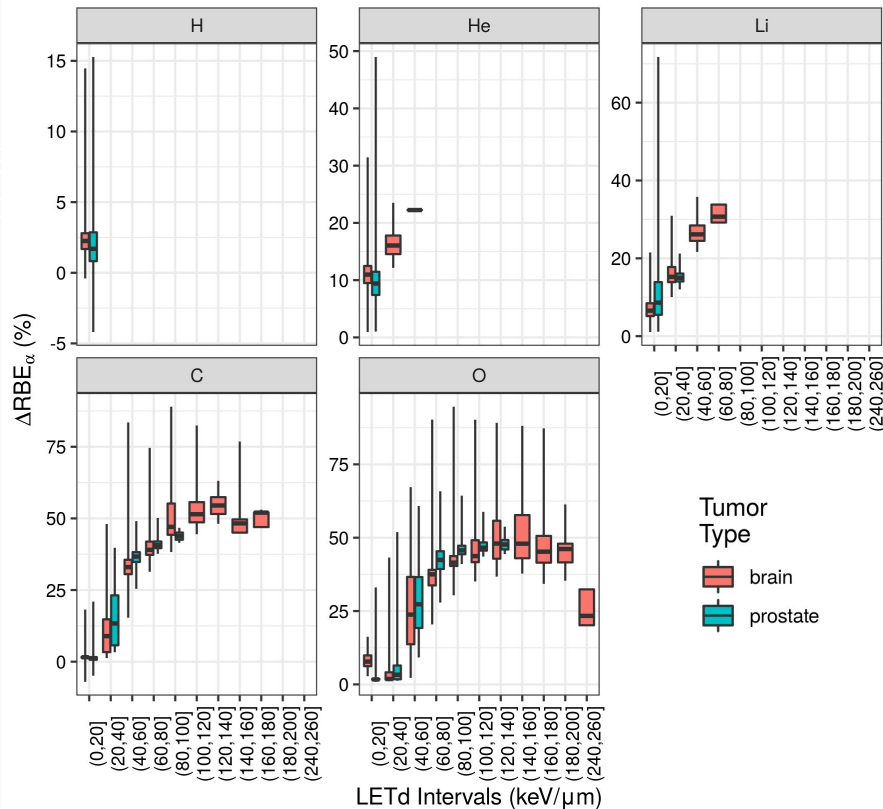


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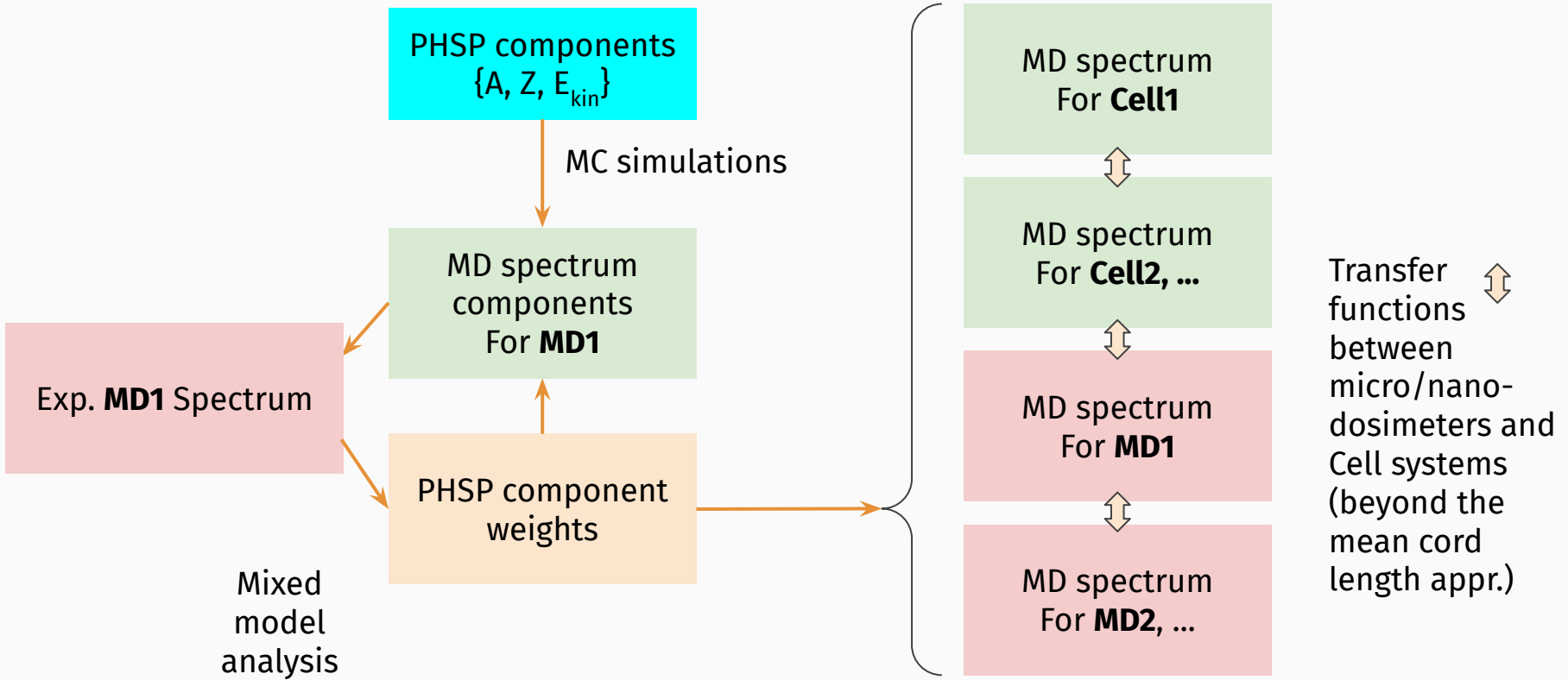
plans: brain-00



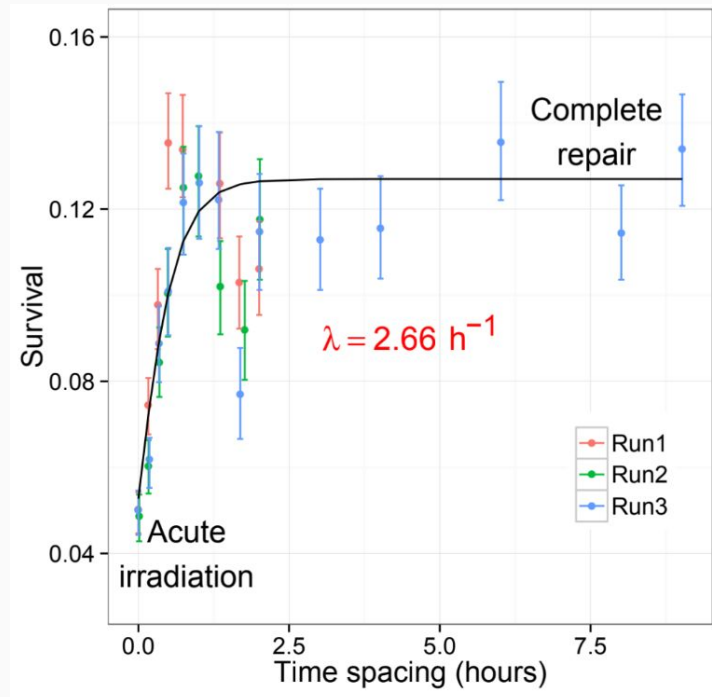
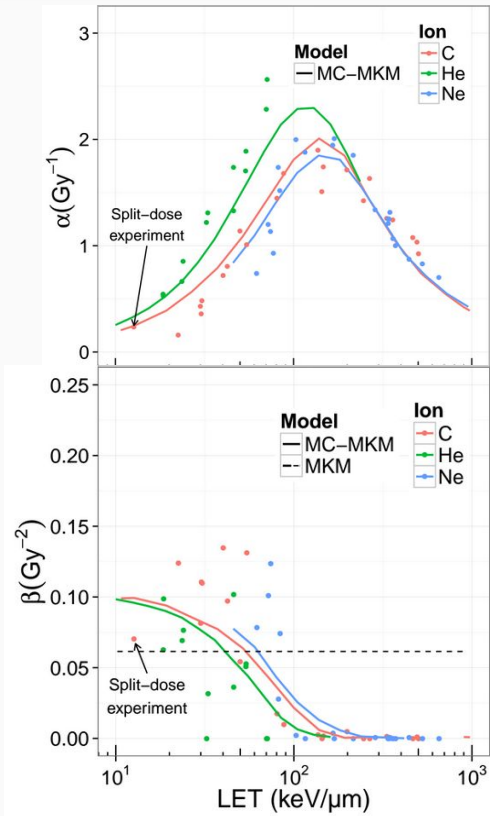
ΔRBE_α
PROT



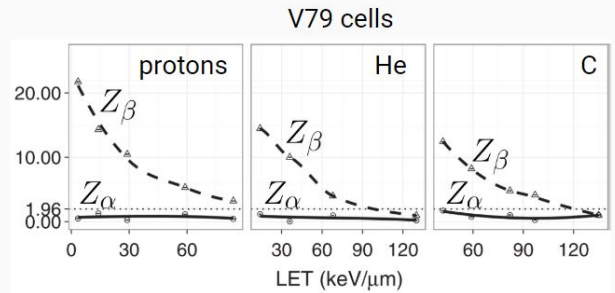
Mixture model analysis to reconstruct the phase space



Model verification: In vitro “split dose” experiments



$$Z_x = \frac{|x_{Acute} - x_{Nonacute}|}{\sqrt{\sigma_{x_{Acute}}^2 + \sigma_{x_{Nonacute}}^2}} \quad x = (\alpha, \beta)$$



$$G = \frac{-\ln \langle S_c \rangle_c - \alpha D}{\beta D^2}$$

Inaniwa, T., et al. (2013). *Radiation Research*; Manganaro, L., et al. (2017). *Medical Physics*.