



Investigation of 5-ALA-PDT and Direct Light Therapy (DLT) for the Treatment of Glioma (GlioLlghT Project)

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Introduction



Grade I Tumor

- Slow-growing cells
- Almost normal appearance under a microscope
- Least malignant
- Usually associated with long-term survival

Grade II Tumor

- Relatively slow-growing cells
- Slightly abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Can invade adjacent normal tissue
- Can recur as a higher grade tumor

Grade III Tumor

- Actively reproducing abnormal cells
- Abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Infiltrate adjacent normal brain tissue
- Tumor tends to recur, often as a higher grade

Grade IV Tumor

- Abnormal cells which reproduce rapidly
- Very abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Form new blood vessels to maintain rapid growth
- Areas of dead cells (necrosis) in center

Radiation therapy (RT)



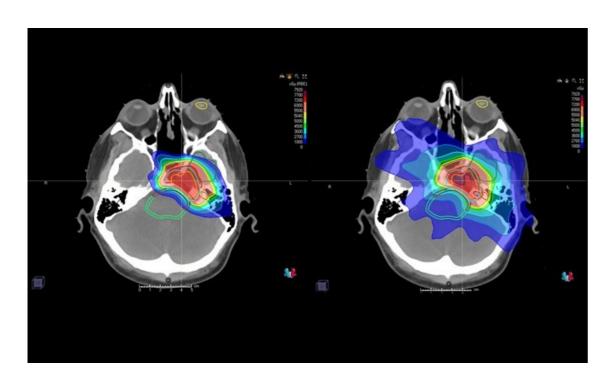
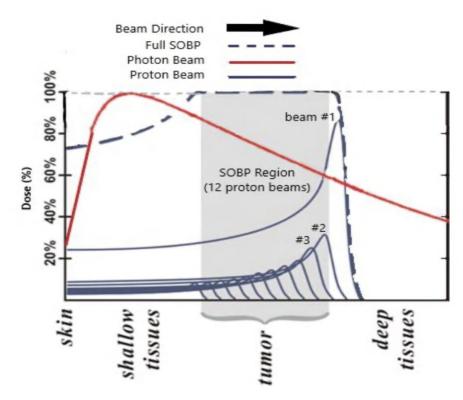
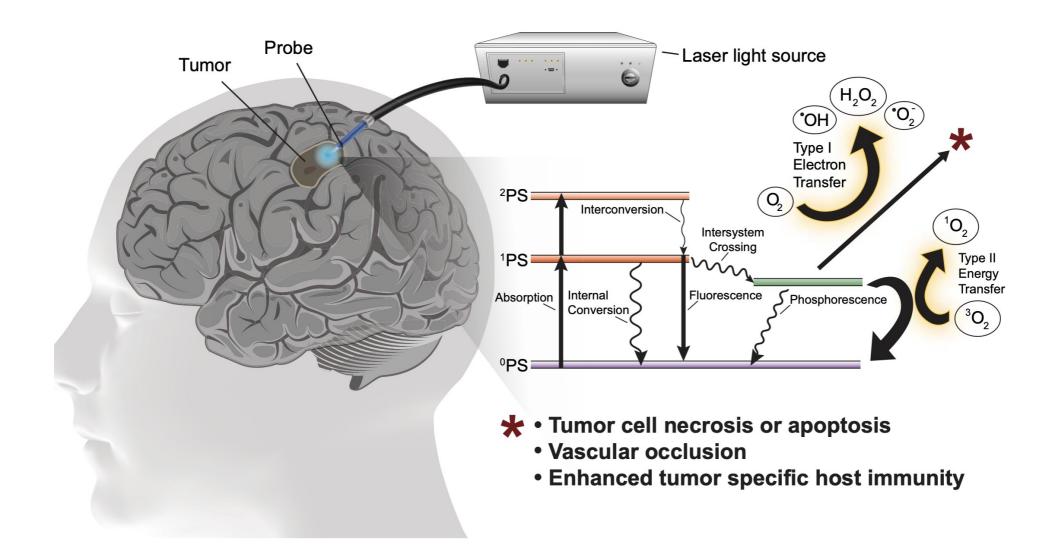


Fig: Spatial distribution of dose from IMRT and IMPT



Depth dose curve of photon and proton beam





Motivation



- Minimal or non-invasive techniques to target the tumor cells.
- Less toxic to the normal cells.
- Cost effective
- No drugs required
- Deep penetration in human tissues

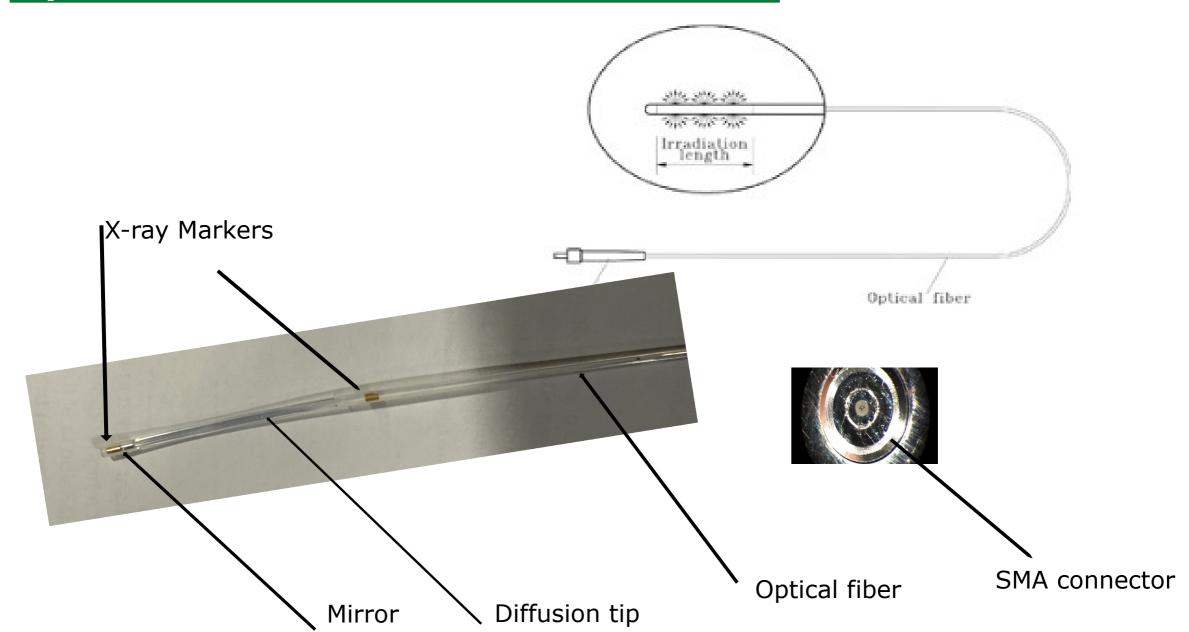
Research Objectives



- Optimize the direct light therapy (DLT) for glioma treatment
 - a. Characterization of cylindrical diffuser fibers
 - b. Simulation of light dose distribution and heat distribution in normal brain and tumor tissue.
 - c. Measurement of optical properties brain and tumor tissue.
- Development of the preclinical GlioLighT delivery and sensing system (pcGlio-DSS)
- Demonstrate the therapeutic benefits of DLT

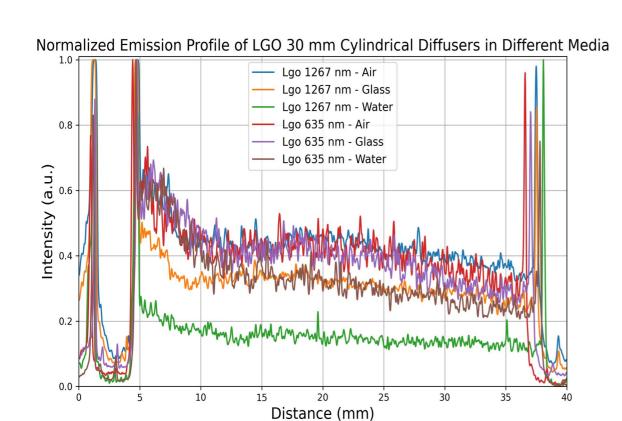
Cylindrical Diffusor Fiber

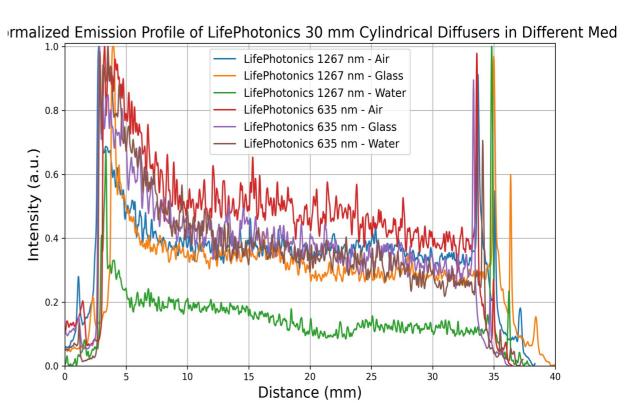




Profiles of Cylindrical diffuser



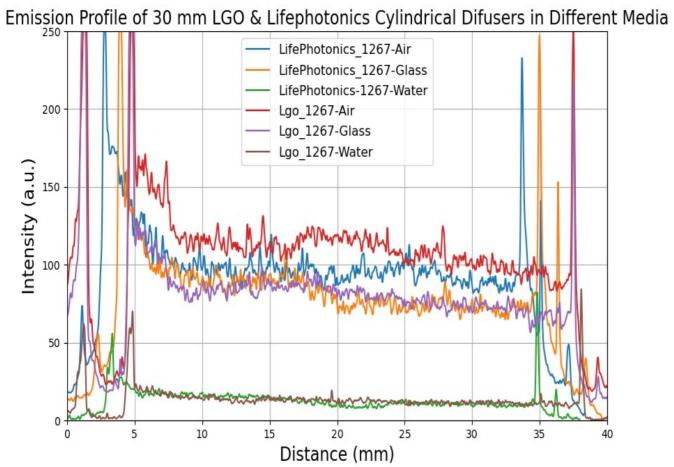




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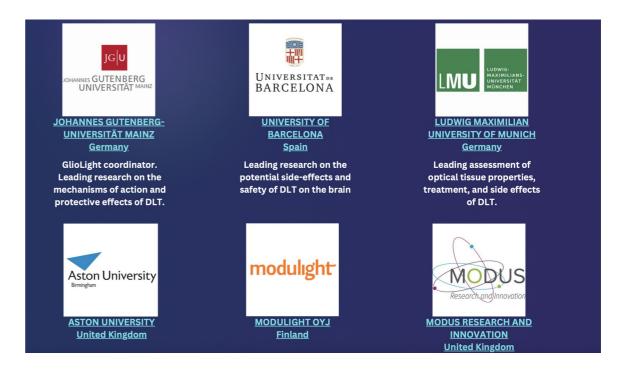
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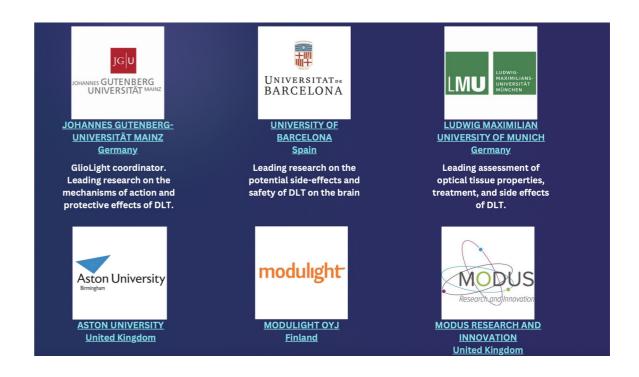




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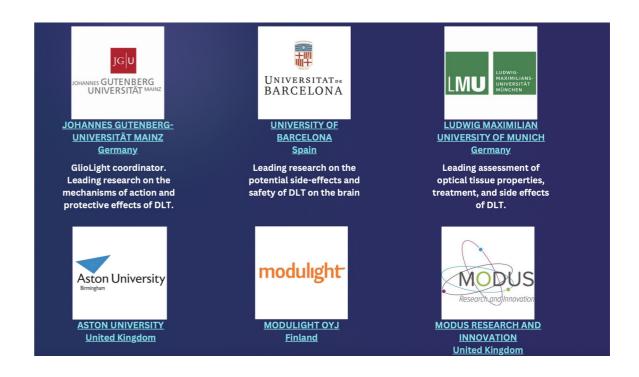




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