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Radiochromic Film IAEA The large amount of information in this title is presented in twelve chapters. The physics of small fields is explained and the potential error in delivering small fields is

discussed. The challenges in absolute, reference and relative dosimetry are addressed in detail as well as the difficulties in making small field measurements. The potential errors in dose models is presented with a discussion on the necessary elements in fluence and dose calculation methods that are needed to model small collimator settings in order to achieve acceptable computational accuracy. Attention is drawn to relevant aspects of quality assurance for the treatment machine and collimating jaws. The characteristics of commercially available detectors for small field applications are summarised. The majority of the report presents established or newly proposed methodologies on the determination of dosimetric parameters (profiles, depth functions and output factors) for single narrow collimated fields. Recommendations of good working practice to be consulted and used alongside the clinical experience, scientific judgement and existing expertise are provided. The report suggests future directions and future work required to reduce uncertainty in the determination of dose in small MV photon fields.

Perez and Brady's Principles and Practice of Radiation Oncology

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Intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), one of the most important developments in radiation oncology in the past 25 years, involves technology to deliver

radiation to tumors in the right location, quantity and time. Unavoidable irradiation of surrounding normal tissues is distributed so as to preserve their function. The achievements and future directions in the field are grouped in the three sections of the book, each suitable for supporting a teaching course. Part 1 contains topical reviews of the basic principles of IMRT, part 2 describes advanced techniques such as image-guided and biologically based approaches, and part 3 focuses on investigation of IMRT to improve outcome at various cancer sites.

Small Field Dosimetry Comparing Measured Data Versus the ADAC Pinnacle 3 Model CRC Press

Stereotactic Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT) is a comprehensive guide for the practicing physician and medical physicist in the management of complex intracranial and extracranial disease. It is a state-of-the-science book presenting the scientific principles, clinical background and procedures, treatment planning, and treatment delivery of SRS and SBRT for the treatment of tumors throughout the body. This unique textbook is enhanced with supplemental video tutorials inclusive to the resource. Beginning with an overview of SRS and SBRT, Part I contains insightful coverage on topics such as the evolving radiobiological principles that govern

treatment, imaging, the treatment planning process, technologies and equipment used, as well as focused chapters on quality assurance, quality management, and patient safety. Part II contains the clinical application of SRS and SBRT for tumors throughout the body including those in the brain, head and neck, lung, pancreas, adrenal glands, liver, prostate, cervix, spine, and in oligometastatic disease. Each clinical chapter includes an introduction to the disease site, followed by a thorough review of all indications and exclusion criteria, in addition to the important considerations for patient selection, treatment planning and delivery, and outcome evaluation. These chapters conclude with a detailed and site-specific dose constraints table for critical structures and their suggested dose limits. International experts on the science and clinical applications of these treatments have joined together to assemble this must-have book for clinicians, physicists, and other radiation therapy practitioners. It provides a team-based approach to SRS and SBRT coupled with case-based video tutorials in disease management, making this a unique companion for the busy radiosurgical team. Key Features: Highlights the principles of radiobiology and radiation physics underlying SRS and SBRT Presents and discusses the expected patient outcomes for each indicated disease site and condition including a

detailed analysis of Quality of Life (QOL) and Survival Includes information about technologies used for the treatment of SRS and SBRT Richly illustrated with over 110 color images of the equipment, process flow diagrams and procedures, treatment planning techniques and dose distributions 7 high-quality videos reviewing anatomy, staging, treatment simulation and planning, contouring, and management pearls Dose constraint tables at the end of each clinical chapter listing critical structures and their appropriate dose limits Includes access to the fully-searchable downloadable eBook

The Use of Ge-doped Optical Fibres in External Beam Radiotherapy Dosimetry CRC Press This book presents the proceedings of the IUPESM World Biomedical Engineering and Medical Physics, a tri-annual high-level policy meeting dedicated exclusively to furthering the role of biomedical engineering and medical physics in medicine. The book offers papers about emerging issues related to the development and sustainability of the role and impact of medical physicists and biomedical engineers in medicine and healthcare. It provides a unique and important forum to secure a coordinated, multileveled global response to the need, demand and importance of creating and supporting strong academic and clinical teams of biomedical

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This comprehensive book covers the everyday use and underlying principles of radiation dosimeters used in radiation oncology clinics. It provides an up-to-date reference spanning the full range of current modalities with emphasis on practical know-how. The main audience is medical physicists, radiation oncology physics residents, and medical physics graduate students. The reader gains the necessary tools for determining which detector is best for a given application. Dosimetry of cutting edge techniques from radiosurgery to MRI-guided systems to small fields and proton therapy are all addressed. Main topics include fundamentals of radiation dosimeters, brachytherapy and external beam radiation therapy dosimetry, and dosimetry of imaging modalities. Comprised of 30 chapters authored by leading experts in the medical physics community, the book: Covers the basic principles and practical use of radiation dosimeters in radiation oncology clinics across the full range of current modalities. Focuses on providing practical guidance for those using these detectors in the clinic. Explains which detector is more suitable for a particular application. Discusses the state of the art in radiotherapy approaches,

from radiosurgery and MR-guided systems to advanced range verification techniques in proton therapy. Gives critical comparisons of dosimeters for photon, electron, and proton therapies.

Basic Radiotherapy Physics and Biology

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Over the past few decades, external beam radiotherapy has been used extensively to treat cancer. The use of intensity modulated radiation therapy (IMRT) has markedly improved the conformity of dose that can be delivered to a tumor target volume while simultaneously minimizing dose delivered to nearby healthy tissue. Despite the advantages that IMRT has afforded, significant challenges remain regarding dosimetry in modulated clinical linear accelerator-based treatments. The absorbed dose to water, arguably one of the most important quantities to determine in any radiotherapy treatment, is difficult to determine in these modulated clinical treatments. This is because the radiation detectors used to precisely and accurately determine the absorbed dose values are currently calibrated under a well-defined set of reference field conditions which do not resemble most actual patient-specific treatments. Because of this disconnect, additional plan00specific correction factors are often required to convert a radiation detector's reading to an absorbed dose to water. Most institutions lack the time and resources

necessary to account for these detectorÓ0 and planÓ0specific correction factors, and a blanket correction is sometimes used based on simplified calculations or ignored altogether. Because composite IMRT treatments are comprised of various MLCÓ0defined fields, it cannot always be assumed that the dose to water calculated in a clinical field using a radiation detector is accurate based on its reference field calibration, or that a single correction factor could be applicable for every IMRT plan measured with a given detector. To maintain a high degree of dosimetric accuracy and precision, it is therefore important to investigate both the magnitude and variability of the correction factors across many different treatment plans to determine the accuracy of the detectorÓ0reported absorbed dose to water. An existing methodology developed to help facilitate the calibration of radiation detectors for patient-specific deliveries is thoroughly investigated in this thesis work. The methodology itself lacks quantitative guidelines that would provide a path towards its universal implementation. This work helps to address that gap in knowledge through the analysis of many actual clinical plans. Strategies using quantitative plan complexity metrics and objective clustering algorithms are investigated as potential bases for standardizing dosimetry involving modulated clinical fields through the establishment of plan classes. Large

numbers of detector-specific corrections that could be used to convert various radiation detectors' readings into an accurate absorbed dose to water are also determined using rigorously benchmarked Monte Carlo simulations and measurements with cutting-edge small field detectors. The detectors are each assessed in terms of their suitability as potential reference-class dosimeters in modulated clinical fields and compared to Monte Carlo simulations to ensure each model's accuracy. The validated models are then used to compute hundreds of individual detector-specific corrections for three different sized ionization chambers. Finally, the detector-specific corrections established using Monte Carlo methods illustrate the difficulty in establishing potential plan classes. Various modeling strategies are developed and evaluated as an alternative to the plan-class specific reference field concept which attempt to simplify the determination of beam- and detector-specific corrections using readily available input parameters. Ultimately, a simplified volume averaging metric calculated using the treatment planning system determined dose grid shows the highest correlation with the full Monte Carlo determined factors and could lay the basis for improving dosimetry in modulated clinical fields without the need for extensive measurement and

computing resources. **Microdosimetric Response of Physical and Biological Systems to Low- and High-LET Radiations** Springer Science & Business Media Computers have had and will continue to have a tremendous impact on professional activity in almost all areas. This applies to radiological medicine and in particular to radiation therapy. This book compiles the most recent developments and results of the application of computers and computer science as presented at the XIIIth International Conference on the Use of Computers in Radiation Therapy in Heidelberg, Germany. The text of both oral presentations and posters is included. The book is intended for computer sientists, medical physicists, engineers and physicians in the field of radiation therapy and provides a comprehensive survey of the entire field. *11th Mediterranean Conference on Medical and Biological Engineering and Computing 2007* Elsevier Implementation of small field dosimetry to optimize the commissioning of a treatment planning system for stereotactic and intesity modulated radiotherapy *Stereotactic Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT)* Springer Science & Business Media Different types of radiation detectors are routinely used for the dosimetry of photon beams. Finite detector sizes have certain effects to the broadening of the

measured beam penumbra. The problem is more important in small field measurement, such as stereotactic radiosurgery, small beamlet IMRT, etc. The dosimetry associated with small fields is very difficult because of the steep dose gradients and the lack of lateral electronic equilibrium conditions that complicate the interpretation of the dose measurement. Many Researchers have investigated this problem from different points of view utilizing, for example, extrapolation method, analytical method. But their studies were all measurements based. In this study, we investigated the problem using Monte Carlo simulation method. Compared with practical measurements, the advantages of using Monte Carlo simulation are: 1. Simulation can be performed in a scenario where radiation dosimetry is technically difficult or even impossible to accomplish; 2. Possible systematic errors, e.g., setup errors, reading errors, can be eliminated; 3. Simulation of radiation detectors which are not readily available allowed the study of a wider range of detector sizes. In this study we used Monte Carlo methods to develop and apply detector response functions (DRFs) for three types of clinically available radiation detectors and two theoretical detectors. Detector response functions were determined by deconvolving known values of input (simulated true data from Monte

Carlo simulation) and output (simulated empirical data from Monte Carlo simulation or empirical data from radiation dosimetry). Deconvolved detector response functions were applied to typical stereotactic radiosurgery fields to obtain the true beam profile. This application was then benchmarked by both Monte Carlo simulation method and dosimetry methods, which include diode dosimetry, radiographic film dosimetry, and Gafchromic film dosimetry. The results of this research demonstrate: 1. Detector response function of cylindrical detectors can be approximately represented as a Gaussian distribution dependent upon the radius of the detector; 2. Deconvolution method can create a more realistic beam profile by reducing the detector size effect, however it can not completely remove this effect limited by the inaccuracy derived from the Fourier transform-based nature of this procedure; 3. Diode dosimetry and Gafchromic film dosimetry both yield satisfactory beam profiles in small field relative measurements and are the preferred measurement techniques.

Radiation Physics for Medical Physicists CRC Press

Presents the technical aspects of IMRT, and the clinical aspects of planning and delivery. The volulme explores a practical approach for radiation oncologists and medical physicists

initiating or expanding and IMRT program, the fundamental biology and physics of IMRT, a site-by-site review of IMRT techniques with clinical examples, and reviews of published outcome studies.

Scintillation Dosimetry

Implementation of small field dosimetry to optimize the commissioning of a treatment planning system for stereotactic and intesity modulated radiotherapyThis project is realized at the hospital Landesklinikum Wiener Neustadt and consists of two parts. The first part contains the measurements of small fields with different detectors. A water phantom is used for these detectors: Semiflex, Pinpoint, Micro-Diamond and Micro-Lion. The main task of this part is to find a proper detector to obtain the highest measurement accuracy. In the second part, a comparison is made between the dose of the measurements and the dose calculated in the treatment planning system, to evaluate the results. Finally, it should be justified whether a more precise determination of doses for small fields translates into a higher accuracy for the dose modelling in the treatment planning system (TPS) for volumetric modulated arc therapy (VMAT), intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT) or stereotactic treatments. In conclusion, the detector microDiamond shows good behaviour for small fields and the deviations between measurements

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Formalism for Use in Small Field DosimetryWith advancements in Linear Accelerators and other therapeutic radiation delivery systems, the use of highly modulated treatments (IMRT and VMAT) has become more common. Consequently, the use of high dose, hypo-fractionated treatments (Stereotactic Radio Surgery a.k.a SRS) for small lesions is also becoming increasingly common. Due to the hypo-fractionated and high dose nature of SRS the accuracy of small field dose calculation is of utmost importance. Additionally, the optimization of Intensity Modulated Radio Therapy (IMRT) or Volumetric Modulated Arc Therapy (VMAT) plans can result in the use of small fields. Accurate calculation of dose in small fields is dependent upon the certainty and precision of small field dose measurement, and subsequently the accurate determination of machine output based upon these measurements. Each of the three Treatment Planning Systems (TPS) (Phillps' Pinnacle3, Varian's Eclipse, and Raysearch's Raystation), available at the University of Toledo, make use of Output Factors (OF) to characterize machine output as well as to simplify the commissioning process. Each TPS makes use of Equivalent Square Fields (ESF) to minimize the number of fields for which percent depth dose curves, and inline & crossline profiles that must be measured. The use of ESFs allows the

TPSs to interpolate and/or extrapolate output factors for fields which were not measured, thus simplifying the commissioning process. First, the traditional formalism for ESF must be evaluated for use in small fields. This is accomplished by measuring a series of small fields ranging from 0.6x0.6cm2 to 3.0x3.02 with three different types of detectors designed for use in small field dosimetry (Sun Nuclear Edge Diode, Standard Imaging Exradin A26, and the Standard Imaging Exradin W1 Plastic Scintillator) at 6MV and 6FFF photon beam energies along Central Axis (CAX) at 100cm Source to Surface Distance (SSD) and 10cm depth in a large water phantom. Next the dose calculation of each of the three TPSs was evaluated by comparison to measurements made with the Standard Imaging W1 Plastic Scintillator horizontally oriented. The same fields, varying from 0.6x0.6cm2 to 3.0x3.02, were calculated in each of the three TPSs with a 1mm3 dose grid, along CAX at 100cm SSD and 10cm depth in a simulated large water phantom. Finally, data acquired using the Standard Imaging W1 Plastic Scintillator was used to inform a novel formalism for Equivalent Squares which more accurately describes the output of the Varian Edge at 6MV and 6FFF. First the actual equivalent square was determined by assigning each unique output factor to a unique field size by determining a

best fit equation from the output factors of the square fields. Both an experimental fit and a correction factor approach were used to determine the equivalent square field equation (function of X and Y jaw dimension) based on the newly determined equivalent square field sizes. It was determined that the traditional formalism for equivalent squares is inaccurate in the calculation of small equivalent square fields, with errors as high as 9% at 6MV and 8.4% at 6FFF. The Standard Imaging W1 Plastic Scintillator was found to be the most consistent and accurate dosimeter in the evaluation of equivalent square fields. Additionally, it was shown that the Pinnacle3 TPS was the most accurate in the calculation of small field dose because of its limitation to interpolation between commissioned output factors. While the experimental fit used to determine the new equation for equivalent square fields was more accurate, the more practical formalism for equivalent squares involves the use of correction factors. It was also determined that a machine specific, and quality specific correction factor should be used in the calculation of equivalent square fields.Scintillation Dosimetry
Clinical conformal radiotherapy is the holy grail of radiation treatment and is now becoming a reality through the combined efforts of physical scientists and engineers,

who have improved the physical basis of radiotherapy, and the interest and concern of imaginative radiotherapists and radiographers. Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy describes in detail the physics germane to the development of a particular form of clinical conformal radiotherapy called intensity modulated radiation therapy (IMRT). IMRT has become a topic of tremendous importance in recent years and is now being seriously investigated for its potential to improve the outcome of radiation therapy. The book collates the state-of-the-art literature together with the author's personal research experience and that of colleagues in the field to produce a text suitable for new research workers, Ph.D. students, and practicing radiation physicists that require a thorough introduction to IMRT. Fully illustrated, indexed, and referenced, the book has been prepared in a form suitable for supporting a teaching course.

Scintillation Dosimetry Advanced Medical Pub Incorporated

Biomedical engineering brings together bright minds from diverse disciplines, ranging from engineering, physics, and computer science to biology and medicine. This book contains the proceedings of the 11th Mediterranean Conference on Medical and Biological Engineering and Computing, MEDICON 2007, held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, June 2007. It features relevant, up-to-

date research in the area. Implementation of small field dosimetry to optimize the commissioning of a treatment planning system for stereotactic and intesity modulated radiotherapy Springer The thoroughly updated fifth edition of this landmark work has been extensively revised to better represent the rapidly changing field of radiation oncology and to provide an understanding of the many aspects of radiation oncology. This edition places greater emphasis on use of radiation treatment in palliative and supportive care as well as therapy. *The Effects of Small Field Dosimetry on the Biological Models Used in Evaluationg IMRT Dose Distributions* CRC Press Accuracy requirements in radiation oncology have been defined in multiple publications; however, these have been based on differing radiation technologies. In the meantime, the uncertainties in radiation dosimetry reference standards have been reduced and more detailed patient outcome data are available. No comprehensive literature on accuracy and uncertainties in radiotherapy has been published so far. The IAEA has therefore developed a new international consensus document on accuracy requirements and uncertainties in radiation therapy, to promote safer and more effective patient treatments. This publication addresses accuracy and uncertainty issues related to the vast

majority of radiotherapy departments including both external beam radiotherapy and brachytherapy. It covers clinical, radiobiological, dosimetric, technical and physical aspects.
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This publication is aimed at students and teachers involved in teaching programmes in field of medical radiation physics,

and it covers the basic medical physics knowledge required in the form of a syllabus for modern radiation oncology. The information will be useful to those preparing for professional certification exams in radiation oncology, medical physics, dosimetry or radiotherapy technology.

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The need for better characteristics of a radiation dosimeter anses from the requirement to verify the advanced techniques now employed in radiotherapy such as Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMR T), Intensity Guided Radiation Therapy (IGRT) and Cyberknife. To-date, one of the most promising dosimeter is thermoluminescent (TL) Ge-doped silica dioxide (Si02) optical fibre. It has been established that it provides excellent spatial resolution, flexibility, modest cost, a non-hygroscopic nature, and excellent radiation response characteristics. In this study, the TL yield of 9 urn Ge-doped optical fibres (Ge-9 urn) has been investigated, establishing their key dosimetric characteristics: for verification of dose distributions in IMRT prostate dosimetry; for measuring out-of-field photon. These results show that the fibres offer consistent linearity between TL yield and dose for doses from 0.05 Gy up to 10 Gy for photon and electron beam

energies, with reproducibility of better than 5%. For all investigated megavoltage photon and electron beam energies, the fibres also offer angular-, dose rate-, and temperature-independence, while a small energy-dependent response was found, of between 6 to 11 %. However, at kilovoltage potentials there is significant energy dependence. When held at room temperature results show fading of 11 % 133 days post-irradiation. In addition, Ge-doped optical fibre was observed to verify doses to within 3% of the IMRT radiotherapy treatment planning system predicted doses and LiF TLDs (TLD-I00 and TLD-700) for the 6 MV and 15 MV energy photon beams used. The fibres have demonstrated potential for use in measuring IMRT out-of-field photon dose when using 6 MV photons, however when conducting 15MV irradiations, the fibres' response needs to be corrected to account for the activation neutron dose. Ge-doped fibres also represent a viable system for use in mailed audit radiotherapy programmes; in particular measuring beam output under reference conditions as demonstrated in a postal dosimetry audit at selected Malaysian radiotherapy centres. The audit methodology has been developed with an expanded uncertainty of 4.22 % at 95% confidence interval for the energy photon beams used.

Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy

Springer Science & Business Media
Stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT) has emerged as an important innovative treatment for various primary and metastatic cancers. This book provides a comprehensive and up-to-date account of the physical/technological, biological, and clinical aspects of SBRT. It will serve as a detailed resource for this rapidly developing treatment modality. The organ sites covered include lung, liver, spine, pancreas, prostate, adrenal, head and neck, and female reproductive tract. Retrospective studies and prospective clinical trials on SBRT for various organ sites from around the world are examined, and toxicities and normal tissue constraints are discussed. This book features unique insights from world-renowned experts in SBRT from North America, Asia, and Europe. It will be necessary reading for radiation oncologists, radiation oncology residents and fellows, medical physicists, medical physics residents, medical oncologists, surgical oncologists, and cancer scientists.

Clinical 3D Dosimetry in Modern Radiation Therapy Lippincott Williams & Wilkins
One of the aims of this book was to focus the attention of specialists to the diversity of the effects of the ionising radiation on biological and physical systems. Special emphasis has been placed on the exquisite complexities/differences

introduced by high ionisation density versus low ionisation density irradiation in both biological and physical systems (Scholz – Chapter 1, Horowitz – Chapter 2, Olko – Chapter 3). As well we wanted to point out the need for novel experimental and theoretical approaches required to advance the important fields of micro and nanodosimetry. Important first steps have already been taken, for example, the accelerated application of semiconductor detectors in their various forms to microdosimetry and as well to practical, important applications in the radiation dosimetry of oncological procedures (Rosenfeld – Chapter 6). The vast number of applications of TLD to radiation dosimetry are not neglected; a special chapter is devoted to the application of TLDs to medical dosimetry applications (Mobit and Kron – Chapter 7) as well as a tutorial approach in an additional chapter to the cavity theories required to extrapolate dose from the detector medium to the tissue medium (Mobit and Sandison - Chapter 5). One of the major features of this book is the intensive, in depth, coverage of the theory and modelling of TL both from the solid state physics point of view (Chen – Chapter 4) and the microdosimetic point of view (Horowitz – Chapter 2 and Olko – Chapter 3). The many puzzling, quaint, quizzical features of TL science can now be understood in the framework of these

advanced theoretical models, explained in straightforward, understandable terms. · Quantifies/unifies the effects of ionising radiation in both the biological and physical systems · Authoritative treatment of applications of semiconductor detectors and thermoluminescence dosemeters in medica l radiation dosimetry · Basic and advanced aspects of microdosimetry applied to both biological and physical systems · In-depth review of the effects of the density of ionising radiation in tsl and osl · Concise and elegant treatment of cavity theory in medical oncological dosimetry · Comprehensive review of this important interdisciplinary field including hundreds of ilustrations and references

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