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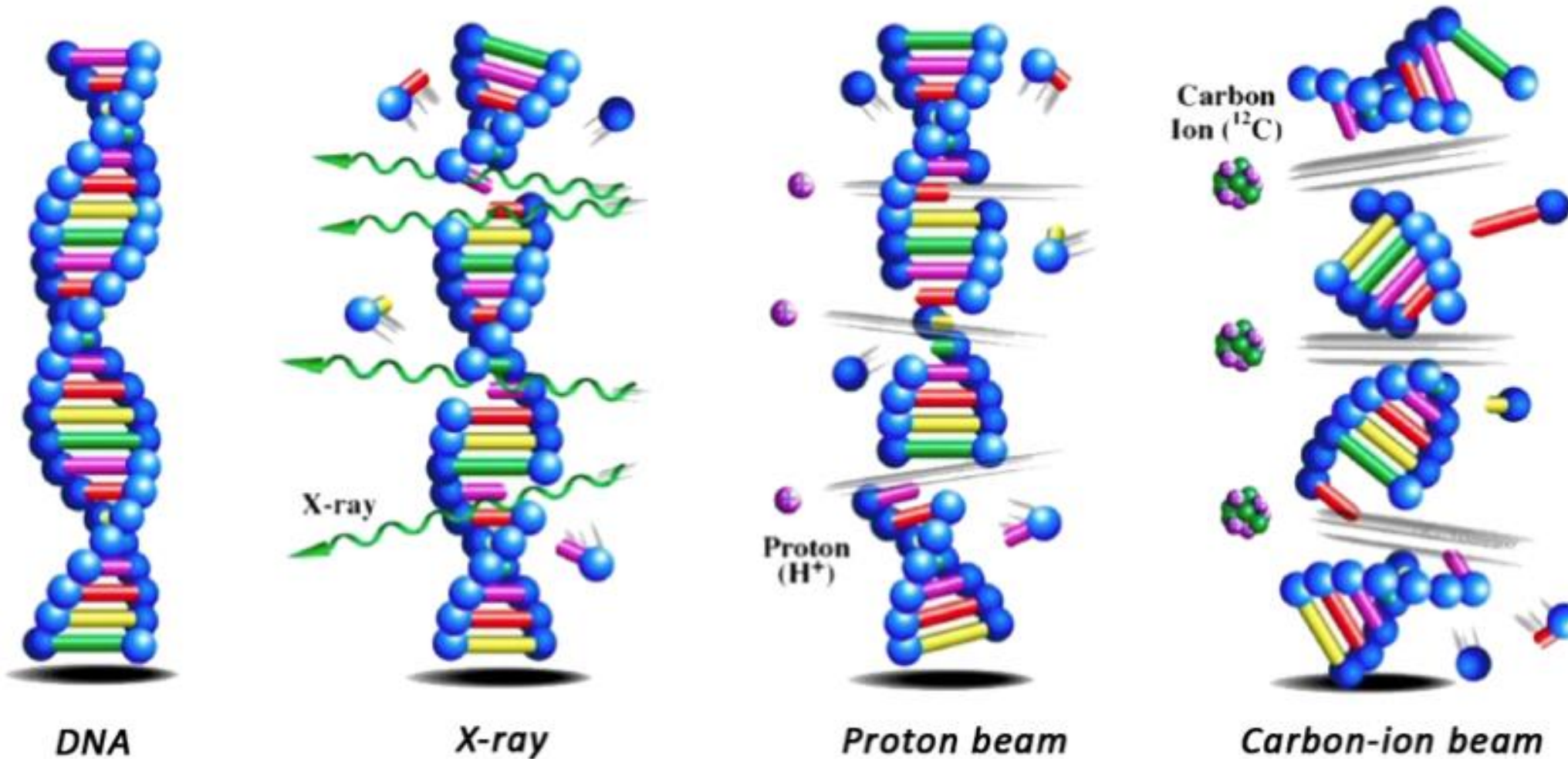
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Radiation Therapy



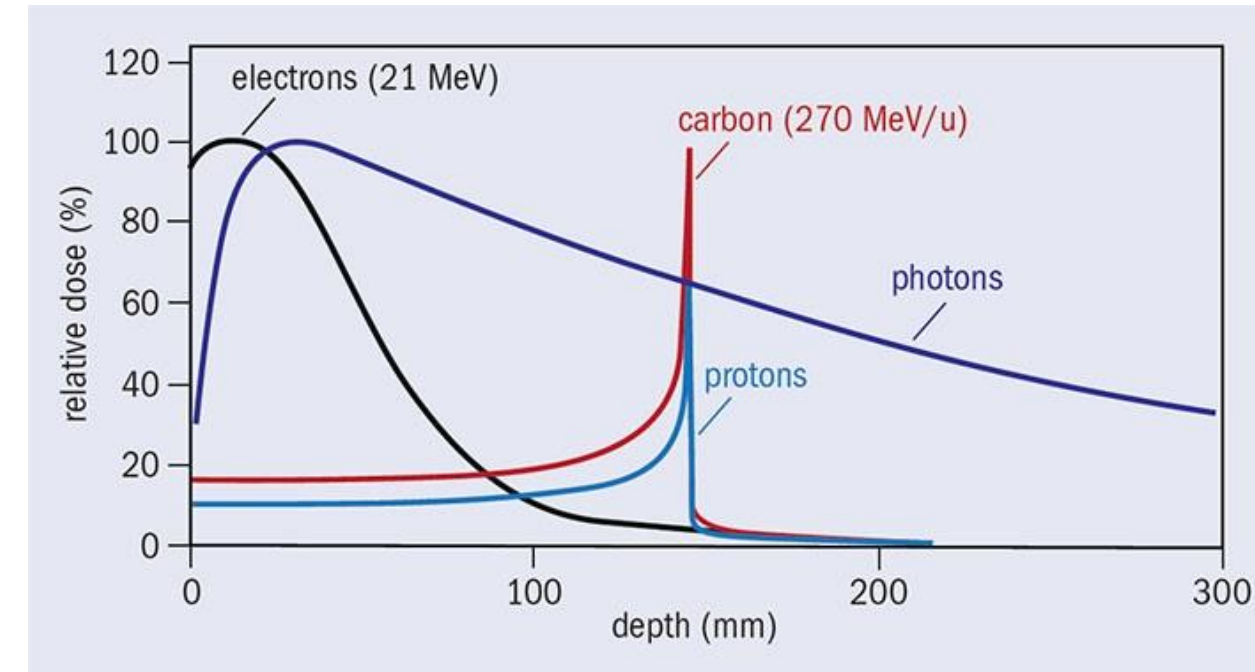
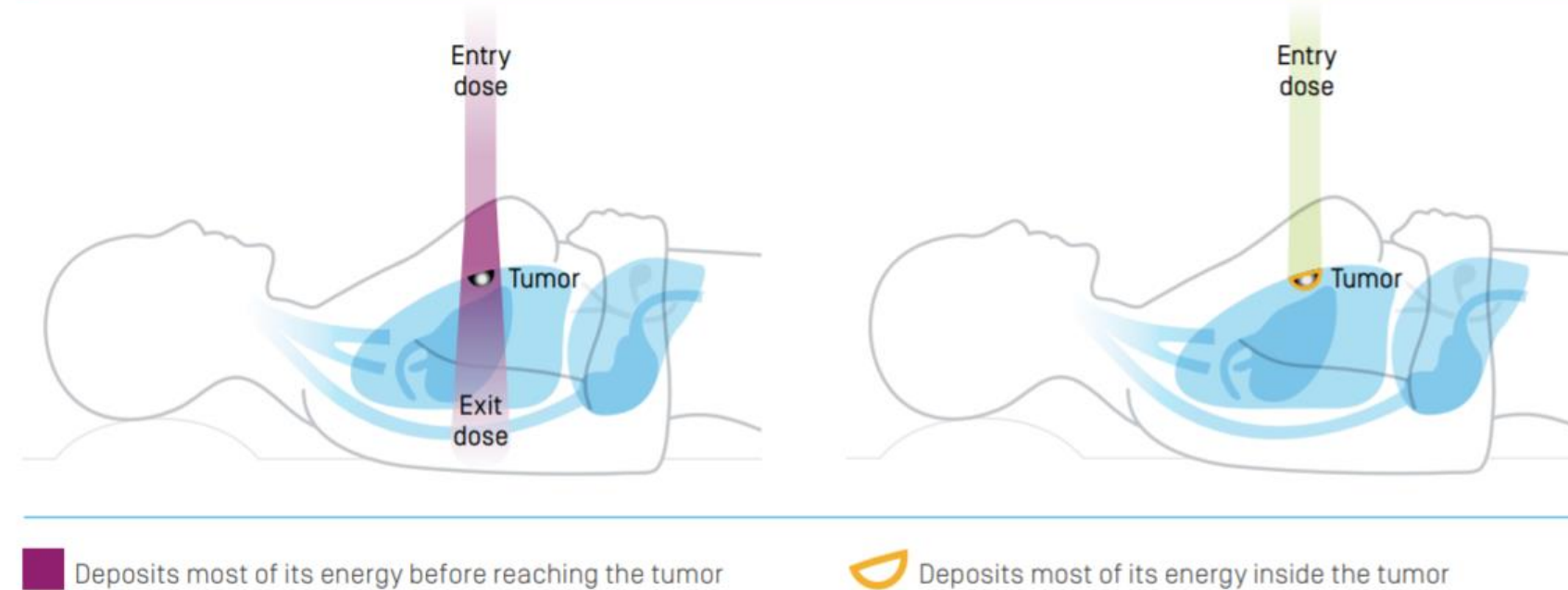
- Brachytherapy
- Teletherapy (EBRT)
 - ❑ X and γ radiation
 - ❑ Charged particles:
 - ❖ protons
 - ❖ C-ions

V. Marx., *Nature* 508(2014), 133–138

Therapy with Photons and Protons

Photon-based Radiotherapy

Proton Therapy



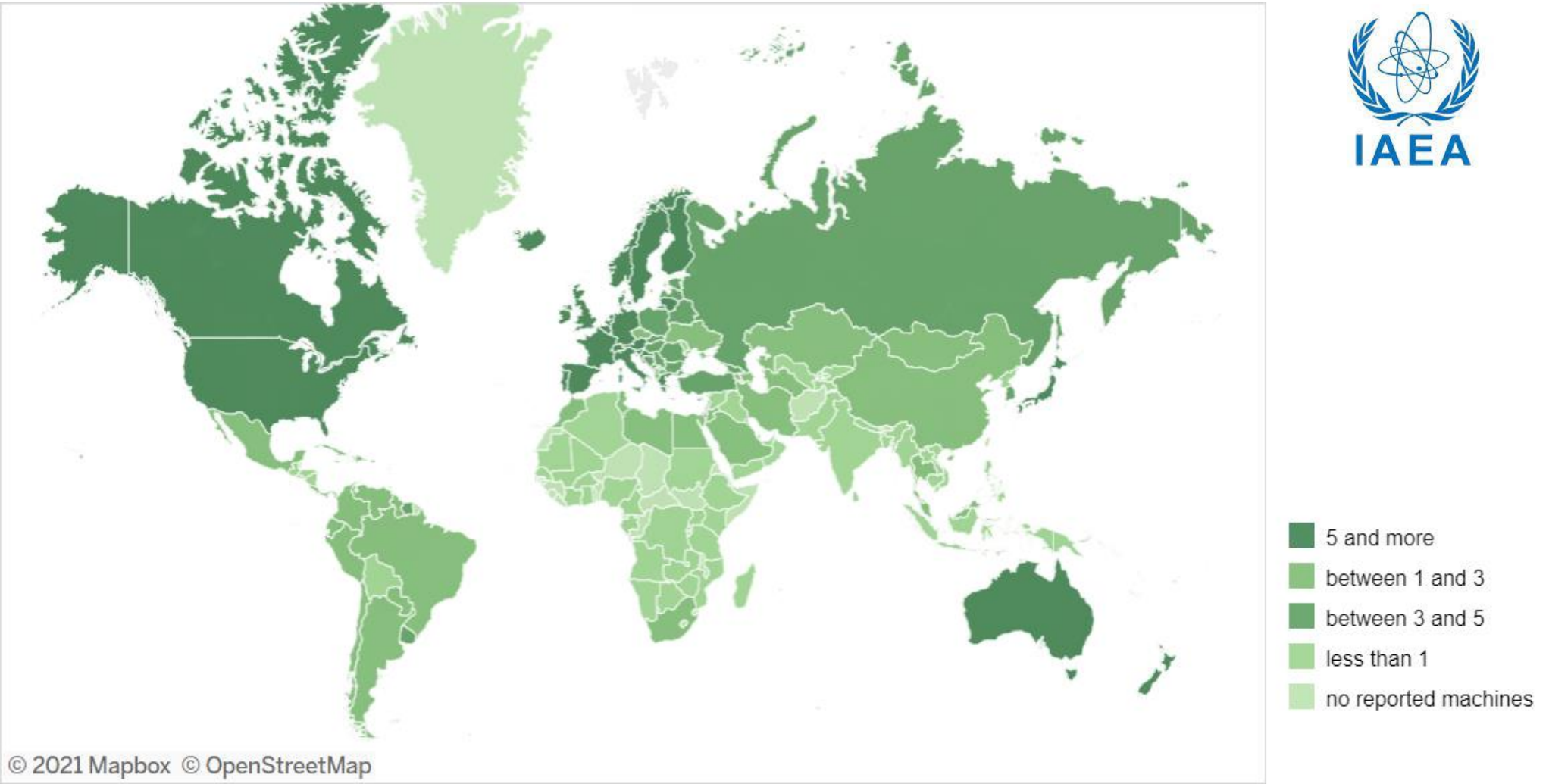
https://www.annualreports.com/HostedData/AnnualReportArchive/i/iba-proton-therapy_2019.pdf

<https://physicsworld.com/a/the-changing-landscape-of-cancer-therapy/>

DIRAC: DIrectory of RAdiotherapy Centers

Number of radiotherapy machines per million people

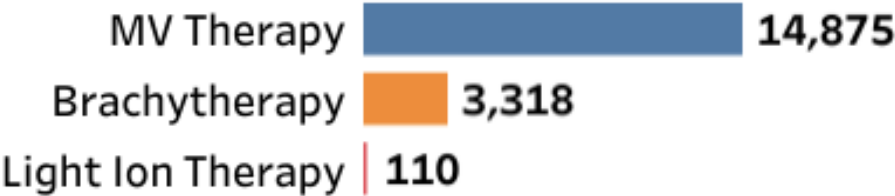
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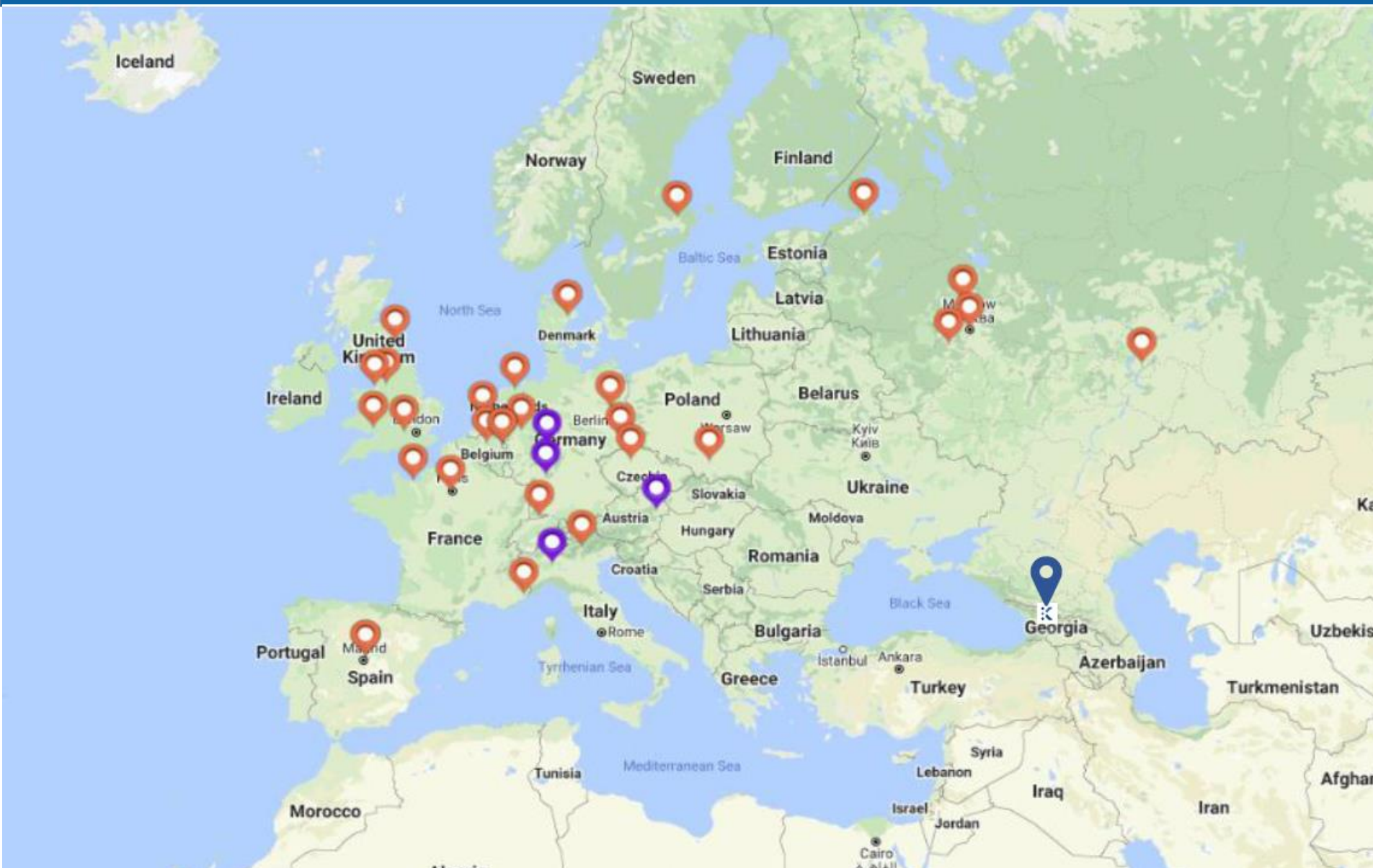
World's most comprehensive database on radiotherapy resources.

<https://dirac.iaea.org/>

Data on radiotherapy centres:
teletherapy machines
brachytherapy units
treatment planning systems
computed tomography systems
and simulators



Hadron Therapy Centers in Europe



Particle Therapy Co-Operative Group

PTCOG (www.ptcog.ch)

Hadron therapy centers in Europe:

Red: protons only

Purple: proton and carbon ions

- Austria (MedAustron)
- Germany (HIT, MIT)
- Italy (CNAO)

Particle Accelerators for the Radiation Therapy



Cyclotrons: commercial production (IBA, . . .)
Fixed particle type (protons) and energy (250 MeV).
Energy variation by passive elements (degraders)



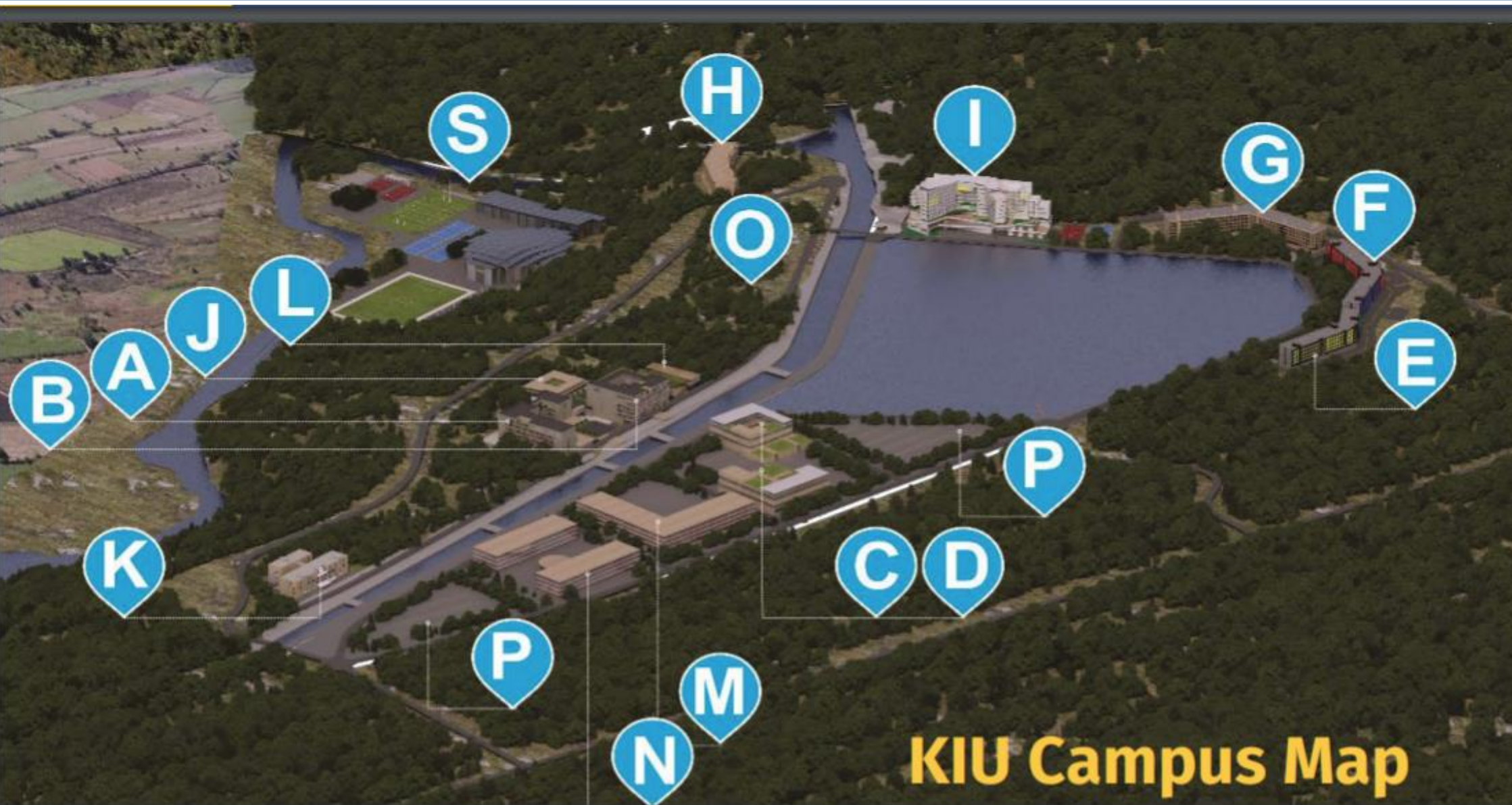
Synchrotrons:
Protons or ion acceleration. Variable energy.
CERN PIMMS (Proton-Ion Medical Machine Study)

Accelerator Beam Parameters

		synchrotron (CNAO, HIT)		cyclotron (IBA, Varian)	synchro-cyclotron (S2C2, IBA)
		C ions	Protons		
Typical intensity (ions/s)		10^7	10^9	10^{10}	$\sim 10^{10}$
Macrostructure	Period (s)	1 – 10			10^{-3}
Microstructure	Bunch width (ns)	20 – 50		0.5 – 2	8
	Period (ns)	100 – 200		10	16 (at extraction)
	Ions/bunch	2 – 5	200 – 500	200	4000

A. Wronska, D. Dauvergne , “Range verification by means of prompt-gamma detection in particle therapy”, hal-03085504

Kutaisi International University



- ❑ New public university in Georgia funded by CARTU foundation



>1 G€

- ❑ New international education space
- ❑ International hub of education, research and innovations in the South Caucasus
- ❑ Hadron Therapy Center

Kutaisi International University Campus



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Hadron Therapy Center



Hadron Therapy Center
of Kutaisi International
University.

CARTU Foundation
contracts with:

IBA
(cyclotrons)



IDOM
(design)



Construction starts: 2022

HTC commissioning: 2024

IBA ProteusONE

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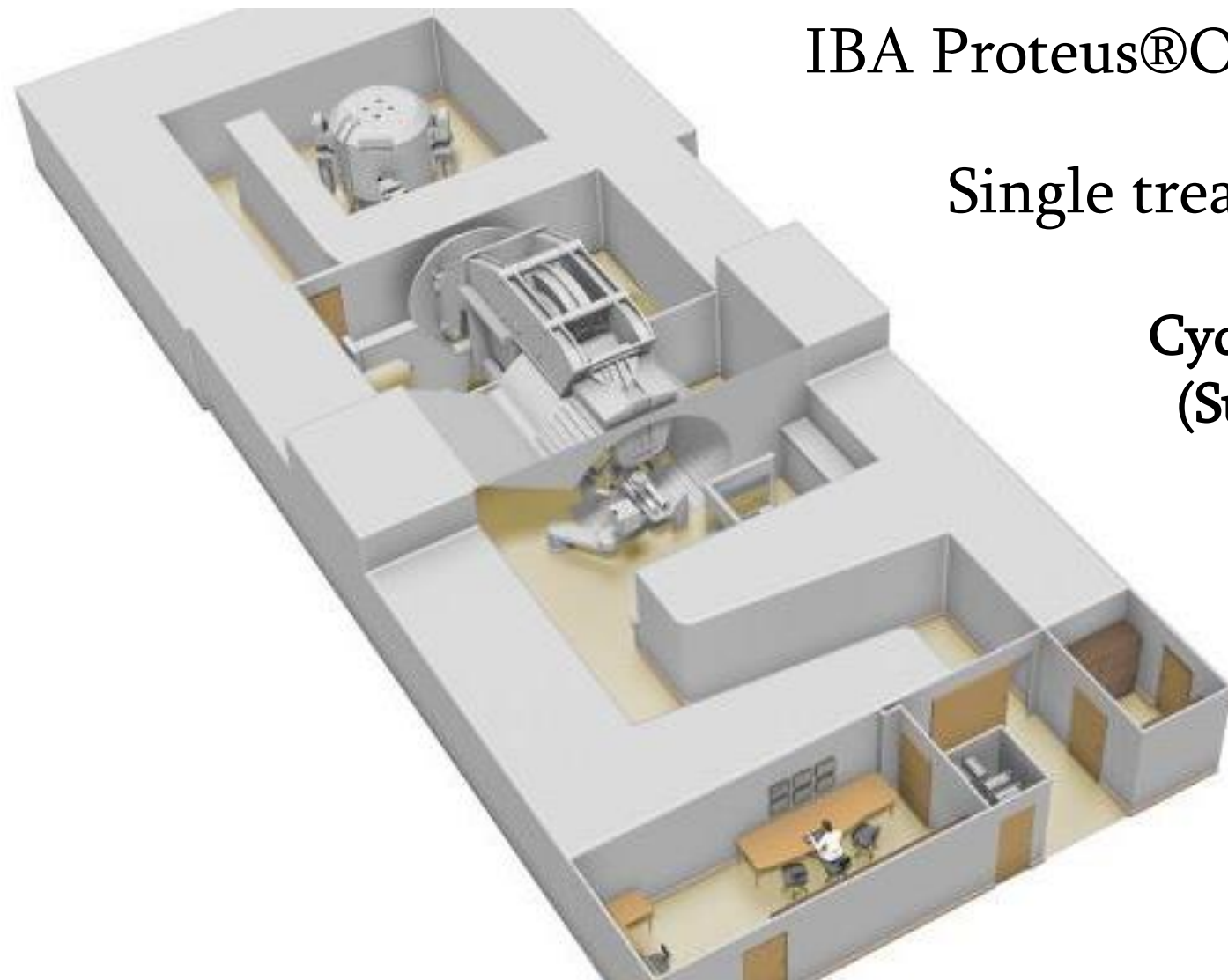
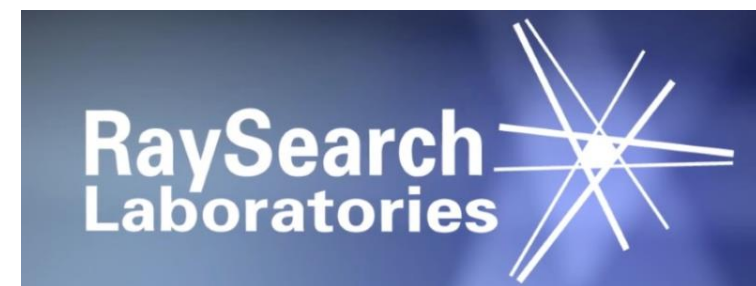
Single treatment room proton therapy system

Cyclotron IBA S2C2
(Super Conducting Synchro Cyclotron)

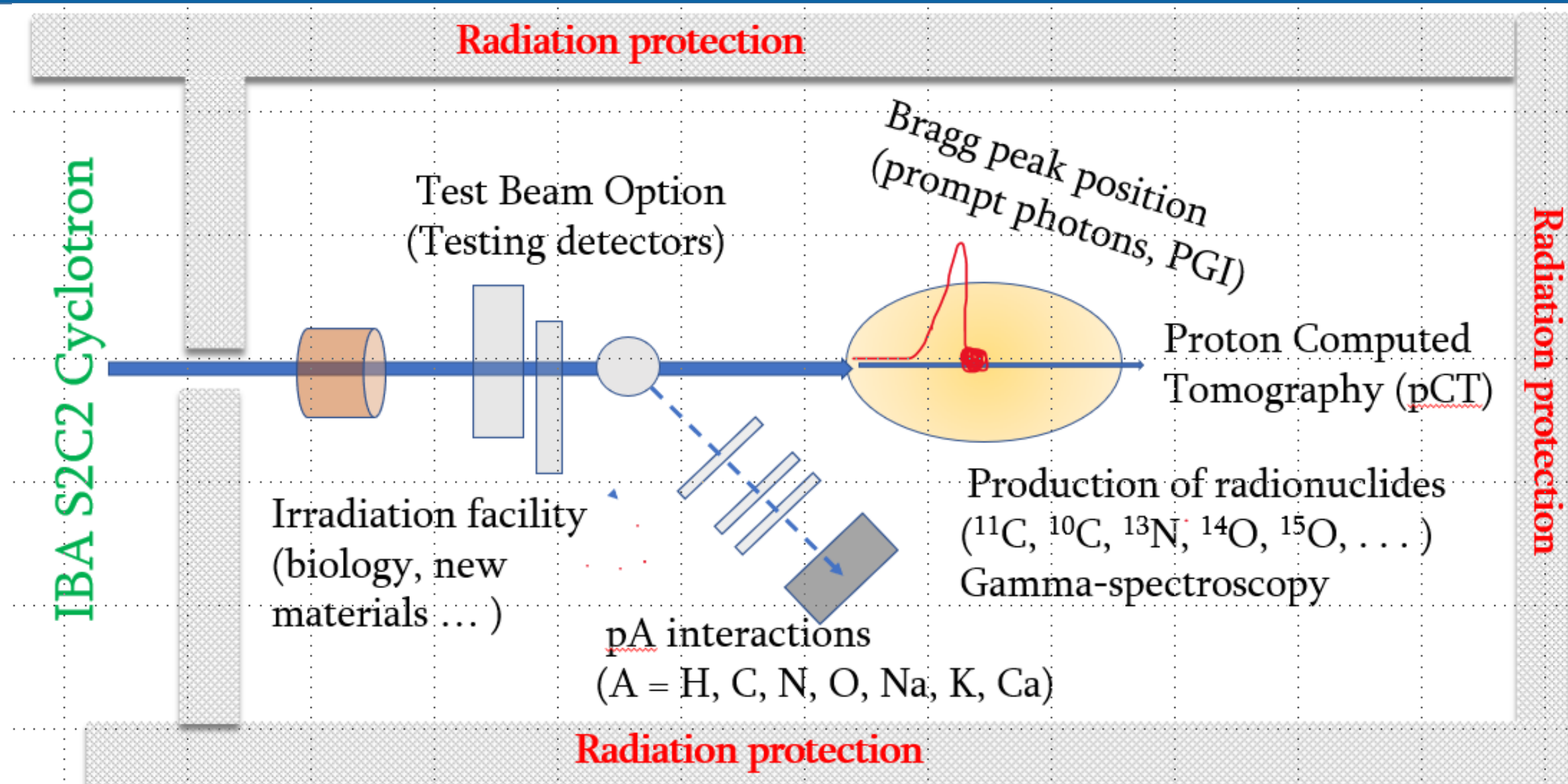
Compact accelerator with 5 Tesla field

Proton energy: 230 MeV

Software for
treatment planning:

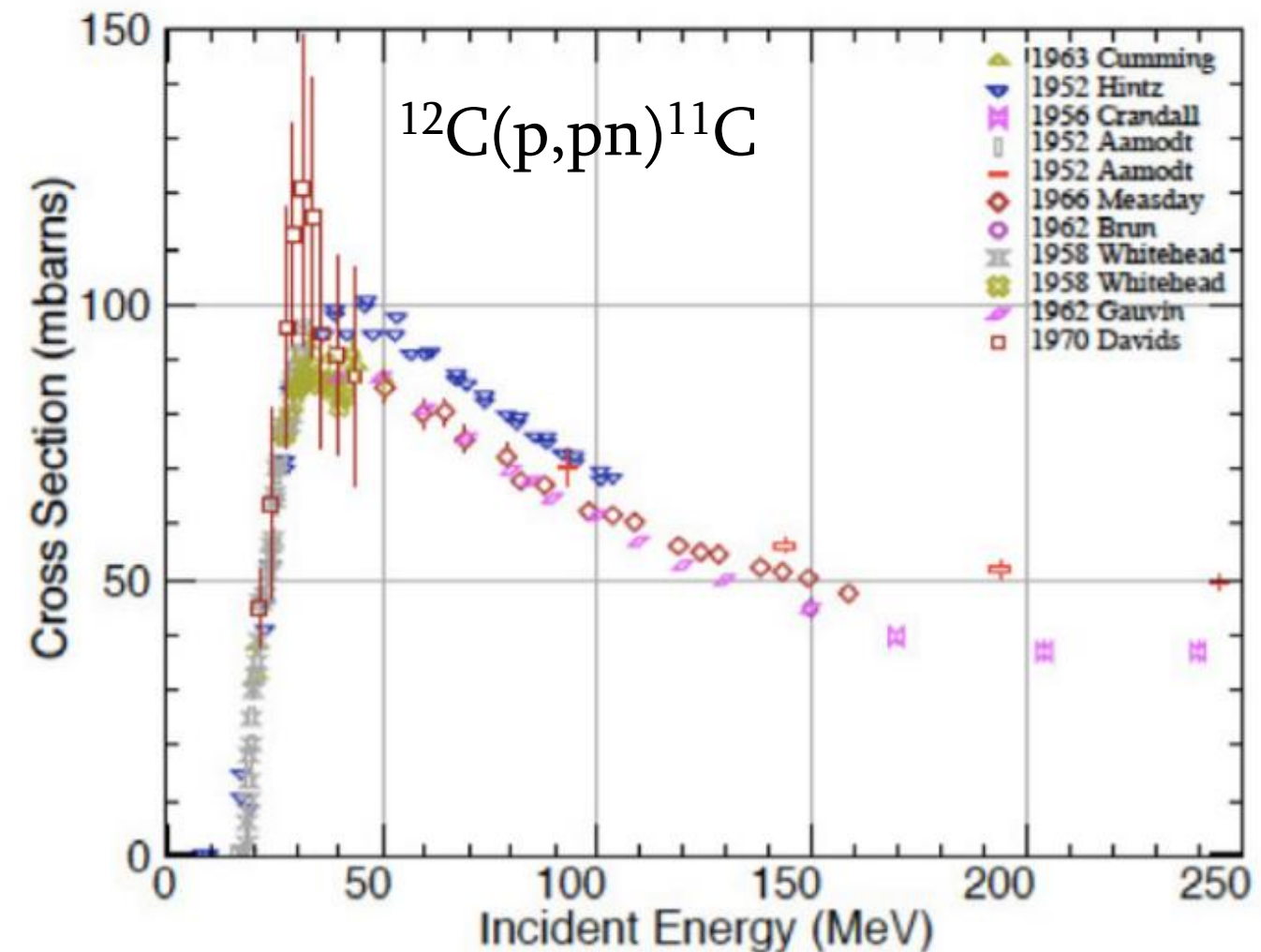


Research with IBA S2C2



Isotope Production in Human Tissue

	Reaction			
C	$^{12}\text{C}(\text{p,pn})^{11}\text{C}$	^{11}C	20.33 m	
	$^{12}\text{C}(\text{p,p2n})^{10}\text{C}$	^{10}C	19.29 s	
N	$^{14}\text{N}(\text{p},2\text{p}2\text{n})^{11}\text{C}$,	^{13}N	9.96 m	
	$^{14}\text{N}(\text{p,pn})^{13}\text{N}$			
	$^{14}\text{N}(\text{p,n})^{14}\text{O}$			
O	$^{16}\text{O}(\text{p,pn})^{15}\text{O}$,	^{15}O ^{14}O	122.24 s 70.61 s	
	$^{16}\text{O}(\text{p},3\text{p}3\text{n})^{11}\text{C}$			
	$^{16}\text{O}(\text{p},2\text{p}2\text{n})^{13}\text{N}$			
	$^{16}\text{O}(\text{p,p}2\text{n})^{14}\text{O}$			
	$^{16}\text{O}(\text{p},3\text{p}4\text{n})^{10}\text{C}$			
P	$^{31}\text{P}(\text{p,pn})^{30}\text{P}$	^{30}P	2.50 m	
Ca	$^{40}\text{Ca}(\text{p},2\text{p}2\text{n})^{38}\text{K}$	^{38}K	7.64 m	

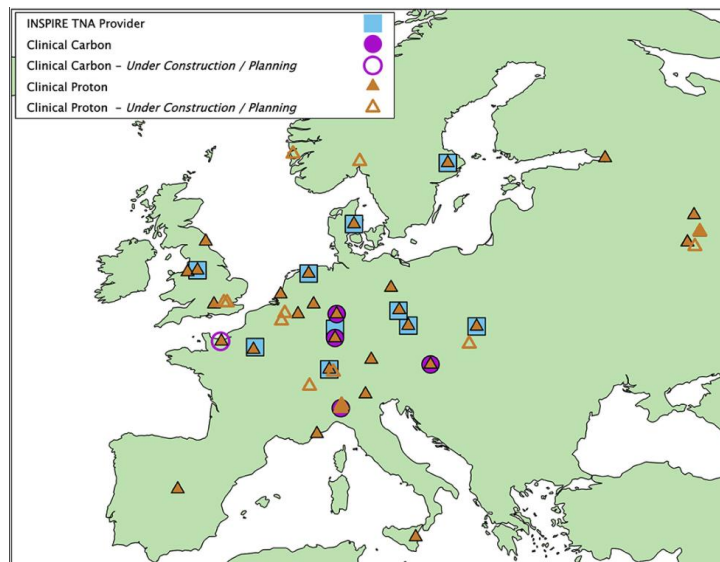


E. Palomares et al. Phys. Med. Biol. 56(2011) 2687–98 2011

Study of the reliability of the cross sections used to model the production of PET isotopes with proton beams

International Cooperation

- Knowledge transfer to KIU HTC
- Joint projects for developing KIU HTC infrastructure
- Joint research projects
- European collaborations in the proton therapy and related research



The INSPIRE Project:
Mapping the Future of Particle Radiobiology in Europe

<https://protonsinspire.eu/>

Cooperation with RWTH Aachen University

Group of prof. Achim Stahl

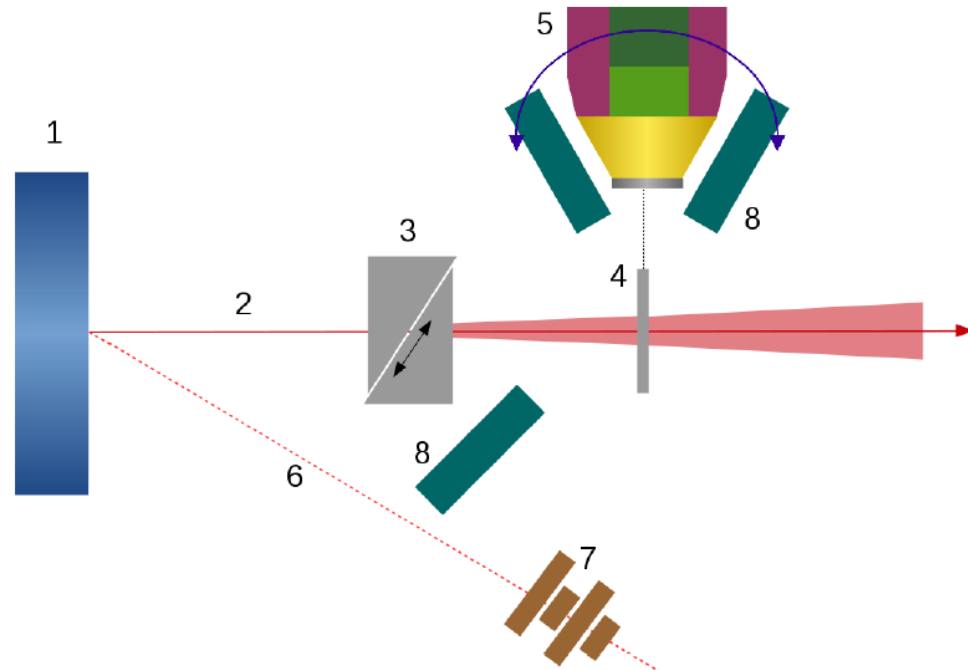


Development of instrumentation (and related simulations) for proton therapy: Compton camera for PGI

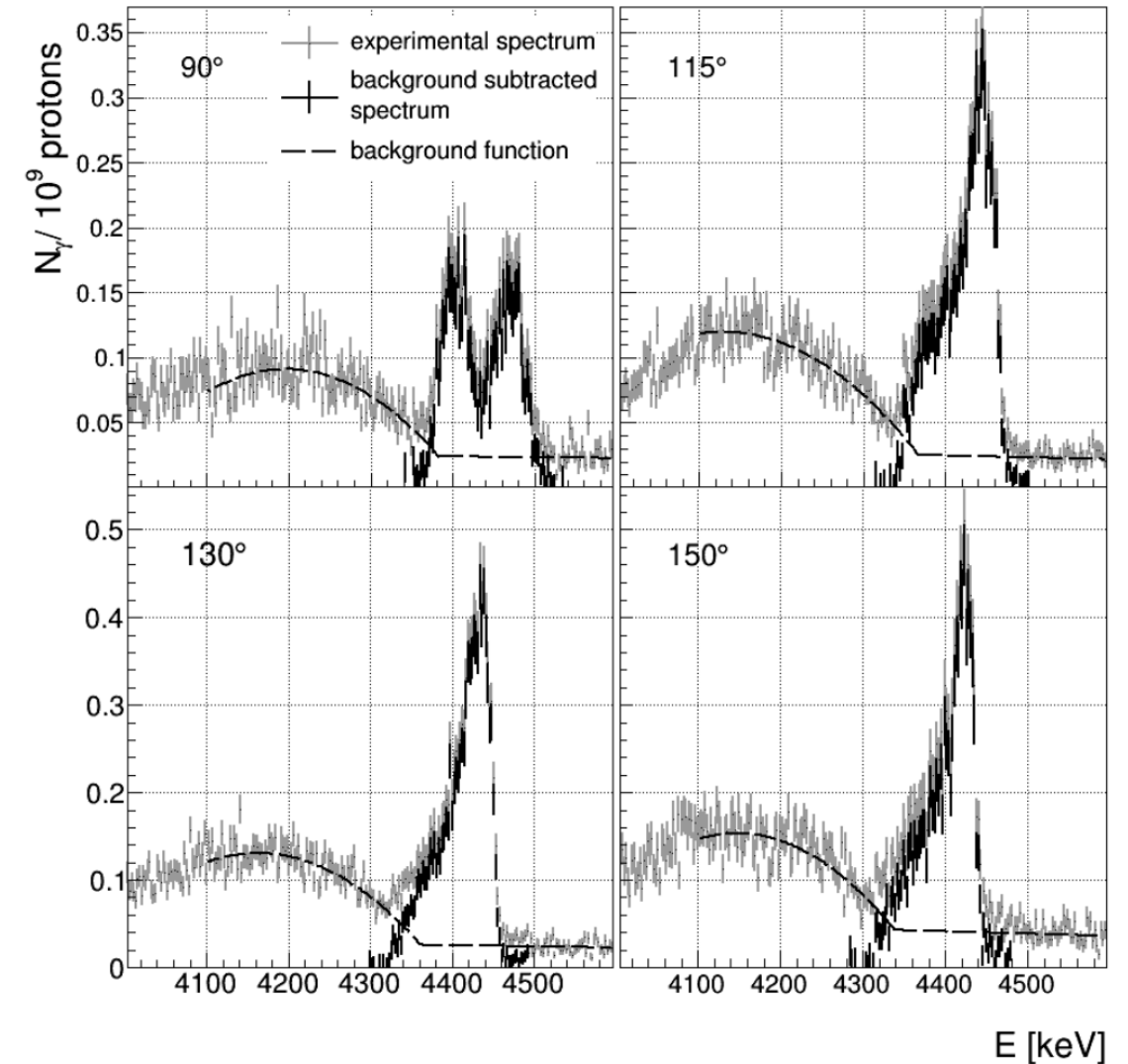
- ✓ Access to RWTH-Aachen computer cluster and software
- ✓ Access to data collected in the experiments with the proton beams
- ✓ Geant4 based simulations; Data/MC comparison
- ✓ Evaluation impact of the proton therapy
- Be-weekly meetings
RWTH / KIU / TSU

$^{12}\text{C}(\text{p}, \text{p} \gamma_{4,4 \text{ MeV}})^{12}\text{C}$ Experiment at HIT

Heidelberg Ion-Beam Therapy Center (HIT) experiment with 71 or 131 MeV kinetic energy protons.

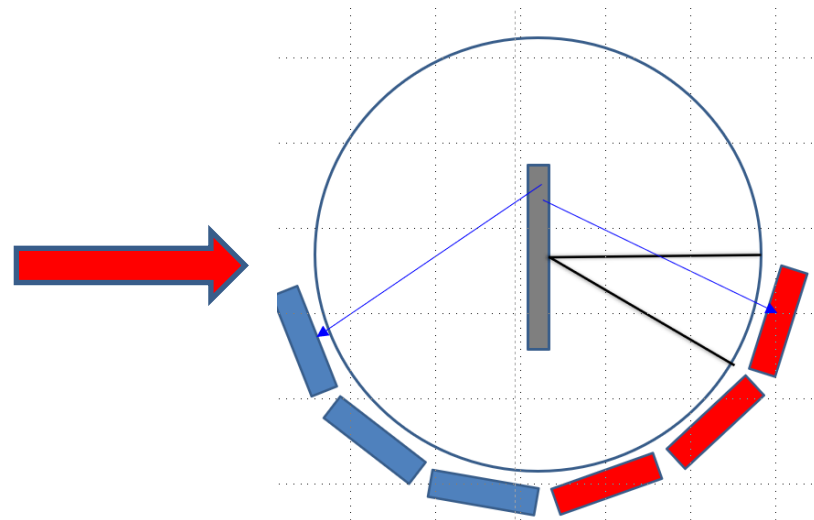
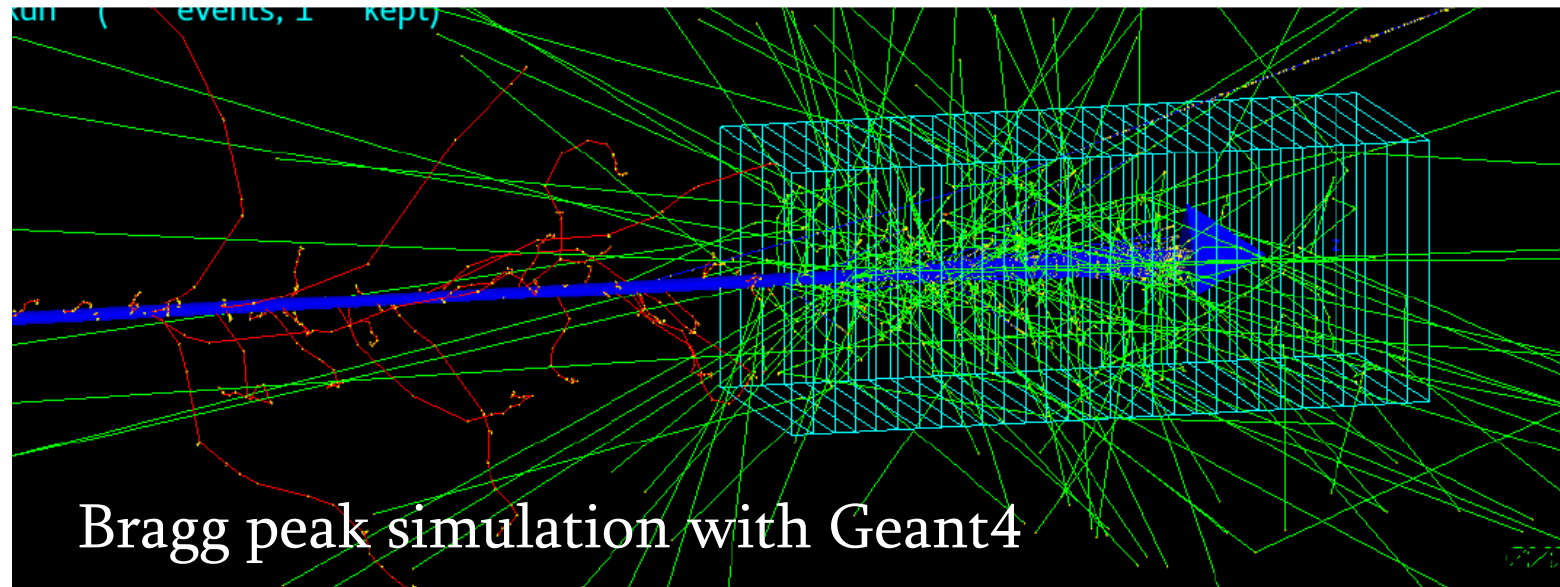


(1) Beam pipe nozzle, (2) beam trajectory, (3) thick part of the phantom (wedges, arrow indicates direction of motion), (4) thin phantom slice, (5) HPGe detector, (6) trajectory of protons scattered on the exit nozzle material, (7) beam current monitors, (8) lead shield.

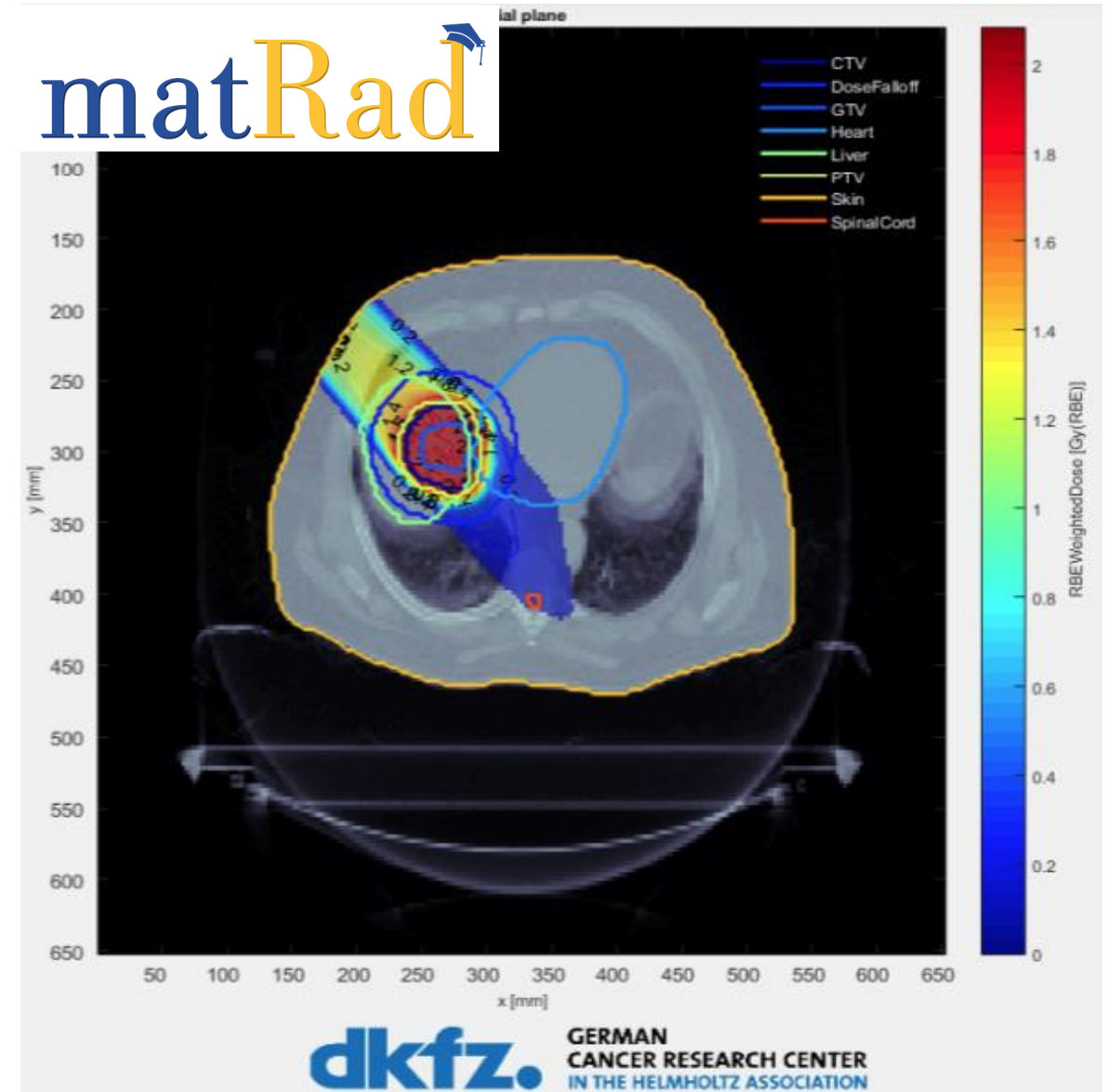


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Simulations: Geant4 and matRad



HIT experiment model
for Geant4 simulation



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Summary and Outlook

- ❖ Kutaisi International University (KIU) - a new educational and research center in Georgia was opened in 2020.
- ❖ Hadron Therapy Center at KIU will host 2 cyclotrons for therapy and research
- ❖ HTC infrastructure and research projects are currently under development with a help from international partners.
- ❖ Construction of KIU HTC starts in 2022
- ❖ Proton beams for treatment and research are expected for 2024.



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End of the presentation

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Дуже тобі дякую!

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