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Title : *Medizinische Anwendungsmöglichkeiten durch präzise C-RAD Patientenlagerungsüberwachung während der Strahlentherapie : erste Erfahrungen mit dem 3-Kamera System und die Flexibilität der Lösung.*

Agenda

Background

First Fraction OK, but what happens afterwards ?

Clinical Benefits : 3-Camera System and Flexibility
on all following Fractions.

Videos

Discussion

Background of the Presenter

- Ph.D in Medical Physics from University of Genoa and National Cancer Institute of Milan - Italy („Lasers in Surgery and Oncology“)
- Since 31 Years in Germany
- Professional Experiences with Hewlett-Packard Medical and Agilent Technologies Optical Division in Böblingen (Product Design). With C-RAD since beginning 2013.
- Scientific Publications : www.franco-canestri.de

Background of the Company

- *Product ideas based on specific studies about patient positioning and monitoring during radiation therapy at the*

Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm



- *Research and first developments by Anders Brahme started back in 1997*
- *C-RAD company was founded in 2003*

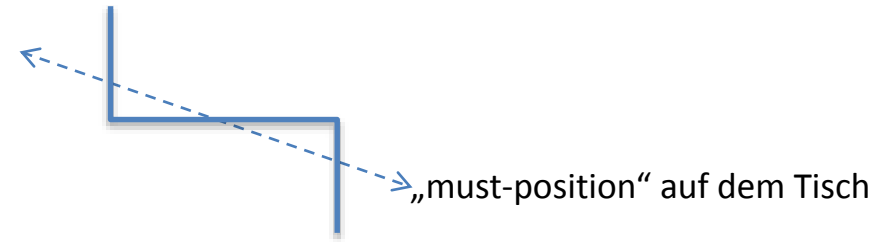
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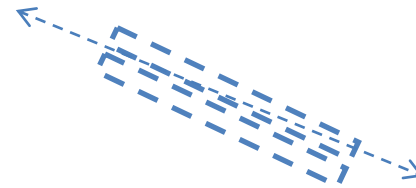
**Mehr Patienten pro Tag,
besser, komfortabler und
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Strahlentherapie : Herausforderungen

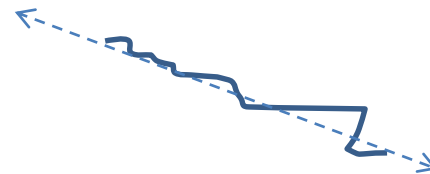
„Posture Errors“



Genauigkeit



Bewegungen



„Respiratory Gating (DIBH)“ vs. „Free Breathing“



C-Rad Solutions with Interfaces to **CT** and **Linacs** (Siemens, Toshiba, GE, Philips + Elekta and Varian)

Covering the full treatment chain : from the CT to the
Linear Accelerator, including room Lasers



C-RAD Approach to precise patient positioning

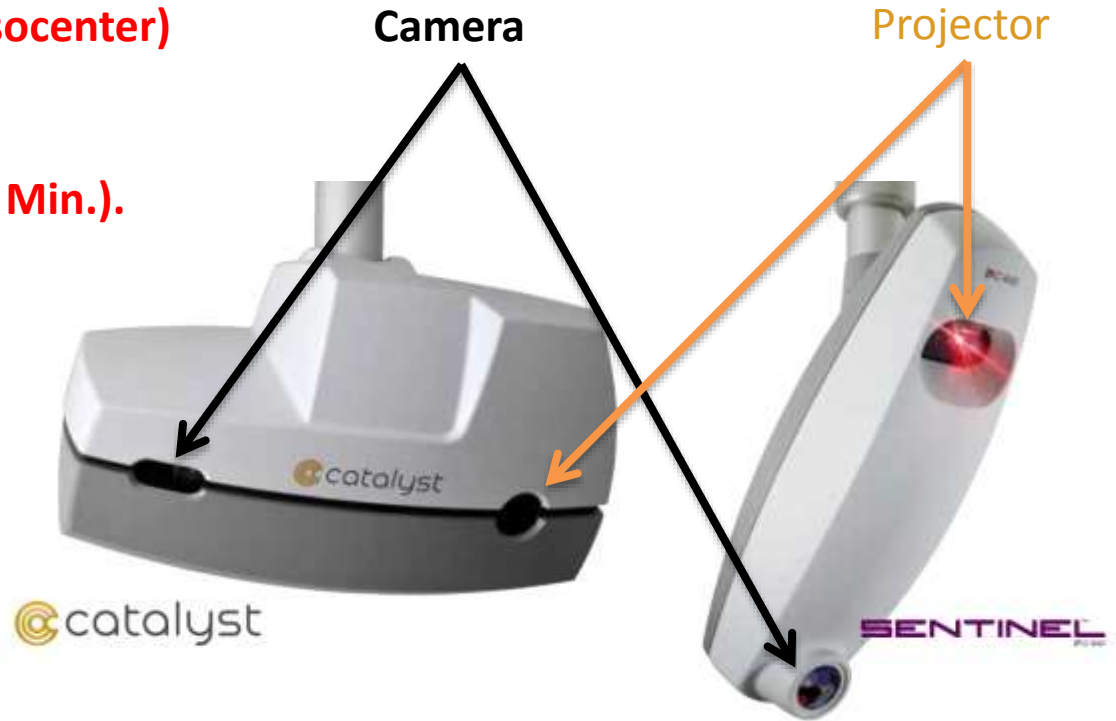
C-RAD ultra-precise (0.1 mm at isocenter)

Room Lasers :

-) with dual-diode (red + green)
-) and automatic calibration (< 9 Min.).



For CT + RT Rooms



For RT Room

For CT Room

„Installed base“ C-RAD Systeme in DACH – 2012 bis Heute

„Sentinel“ (CT Raum) : **11**

„Catalysts“ (Linac Raum) : **13**

„Catalysts HD“ (Linac Raum) : **8 (*)**

C-RAD „HIT“ Raum Lasers : **7**

Gesamt : **39** C-RAD Systeme - Deutschsprachige Länder

Kliniken nur in DE. : **15** mit C-RAD Lösungen im Einsatz in BRD

Publikationen : **16** aus LMU, UMM, Uni Mainz, Gelsenkirchen, etc.

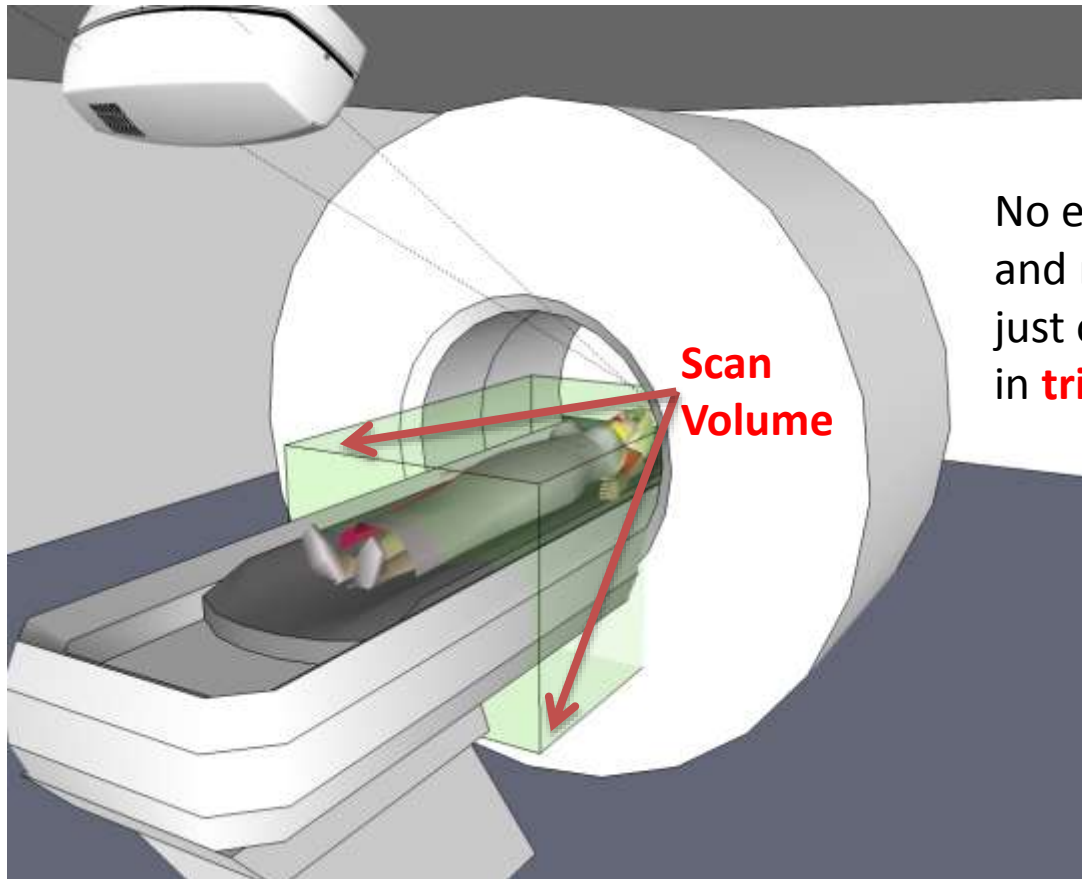
Wachstum 2013 → 2014 : **60% in €** (→ [Siehe WEB; C-RAD Press Release](#))

(*) : 3-Kamera Version

Measurement Principles

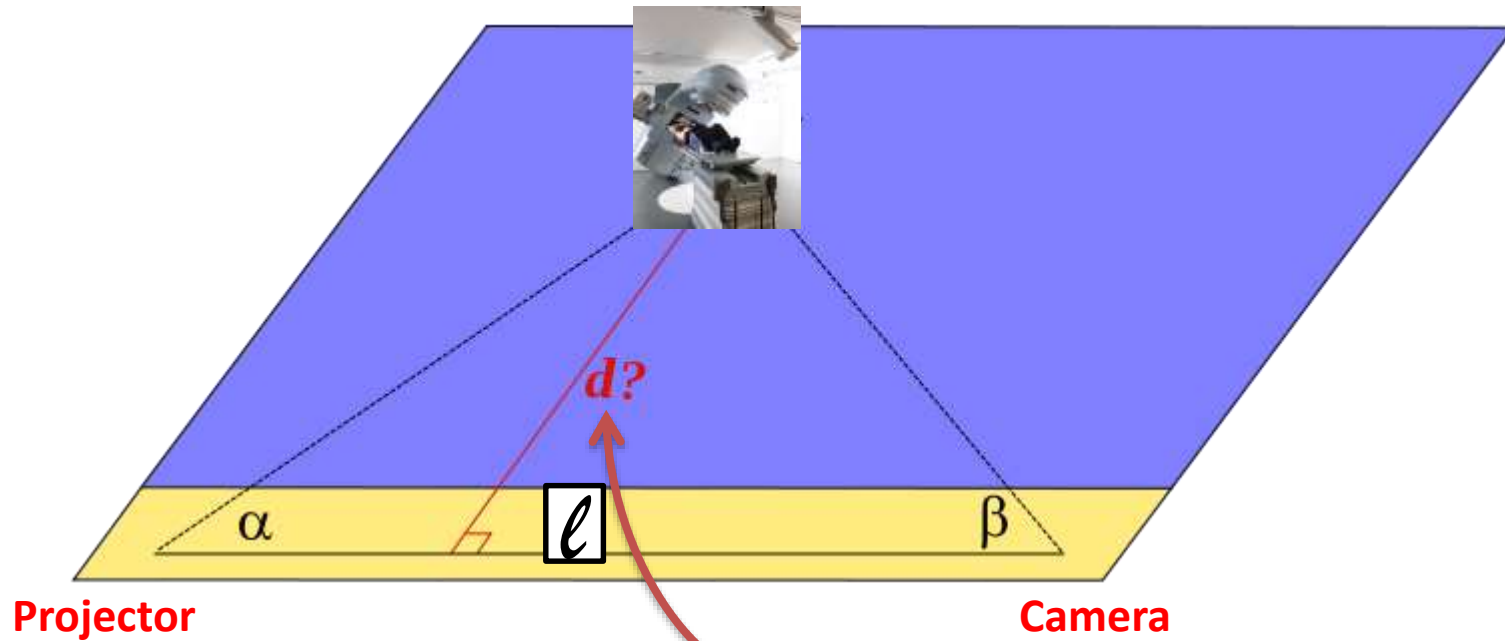
Projector

Camera



No extra ionizing radiation
and no lasers,
just optical LED cameras
in **triangulation**

Triangulation Method



We know that :

$$\tan \alpha = \sin \alpha / \cos \alpha$$

and that :

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

therefore :

$$\ell = \frac{d}{\tan \alpha} + \frac{d}{\tan \beta}$$

$$d = \ell / \left(\frac{1}{\tan \alpha} + \frac{1}{\tan \beta} \right)$$

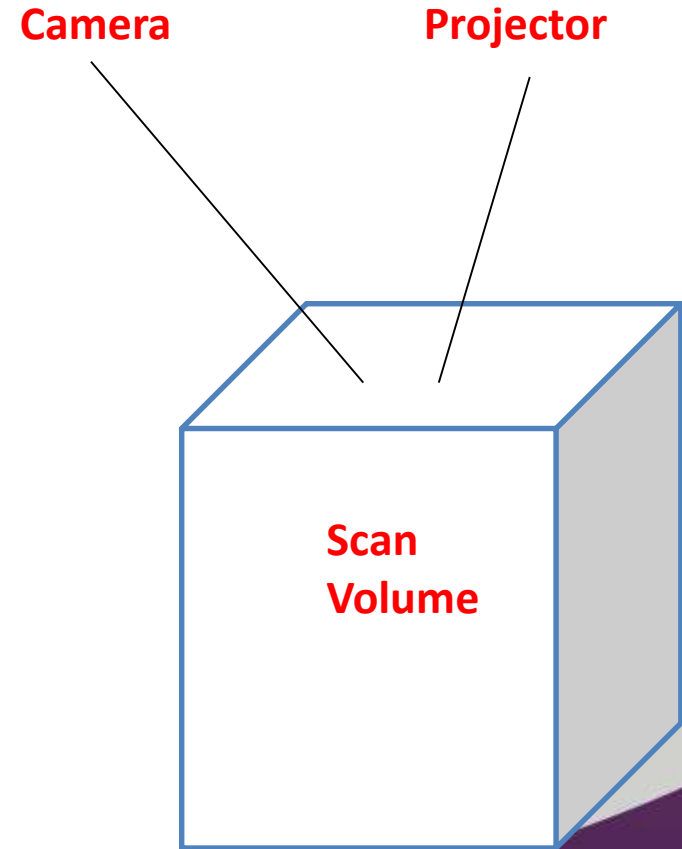
$$d = \frac{\ell \sin \alpha \sin \beta}{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}$$

Technical performances

Scan volume: up to 80cm x 130cm x 70cm

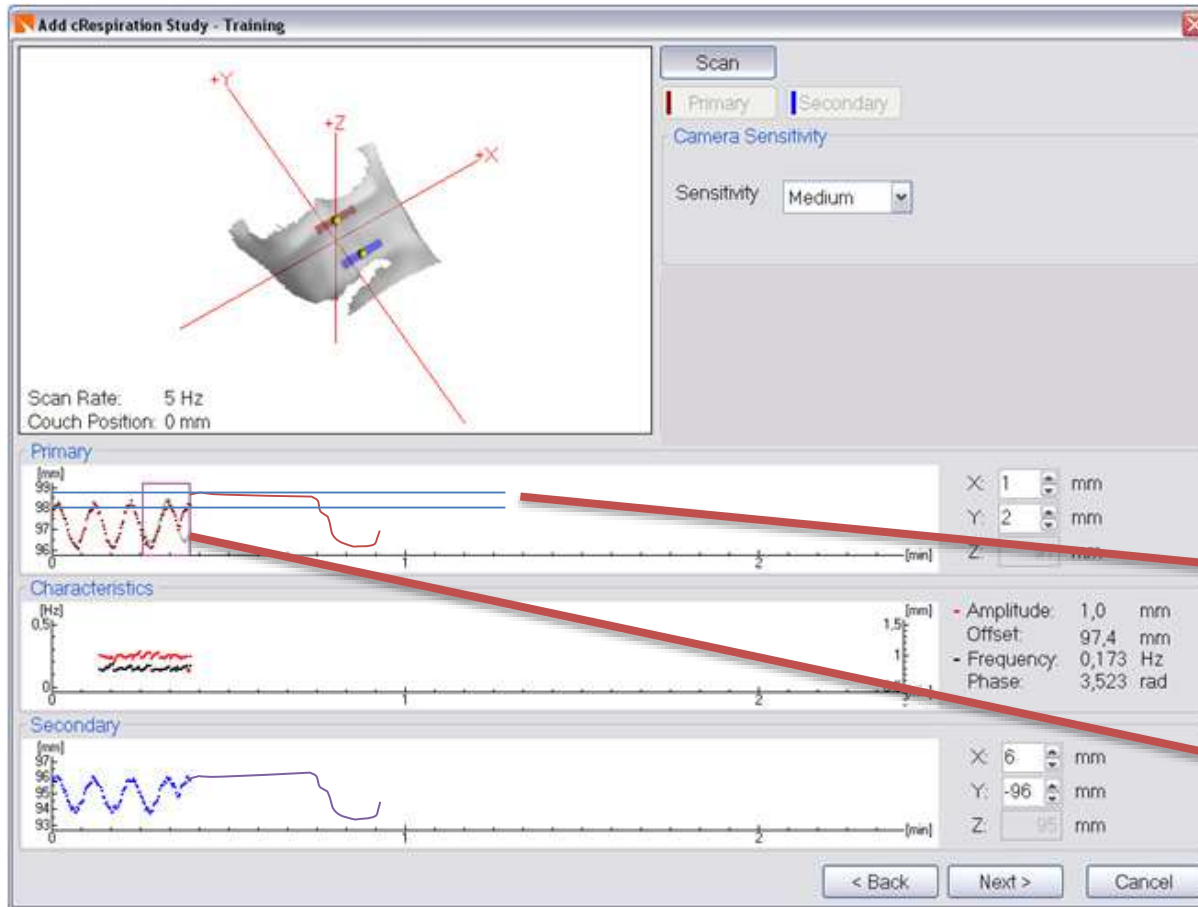
Position accuracy: <1mm

Motion detection accuracy: <1mm



Workflow : Step 1 - CT

SENTINEL



- **4DCT prospective gating** (when you know where the tumor is located and you want to perform DIBH mainly for left breast cancer)

- **4DCT retrospective gating** (when the areas are too spread and there is no acute need of DIBH)

It will be sent to the Catalyst in Linac room for DIBP ...

... or for free breathing

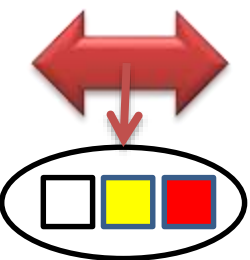
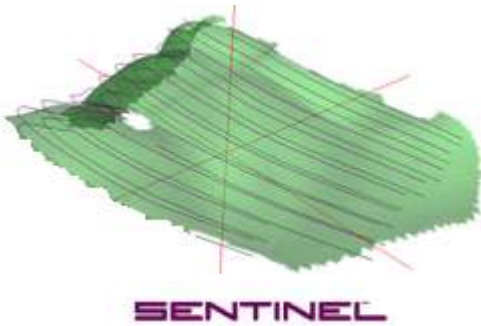
Workflow : CT → RT (first Fraction)

from CT Room

in RT Room

- Patient's Surface (time of the first CT)
- Tumor's isocenter info
- 4DCT
- Therapy plans (TPS)

- Patient's Surface (now, first fraction at the Linac)



Delta = 0
Delta > 0

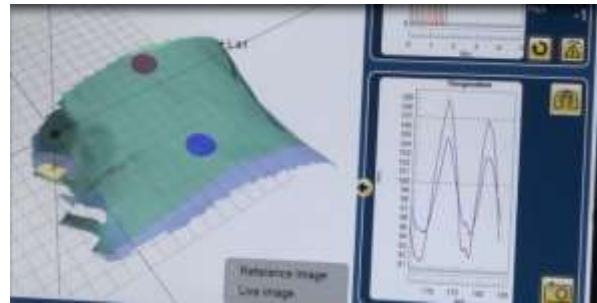
Delta < 0



Isocenter and red areas



Yellow areas



Gating

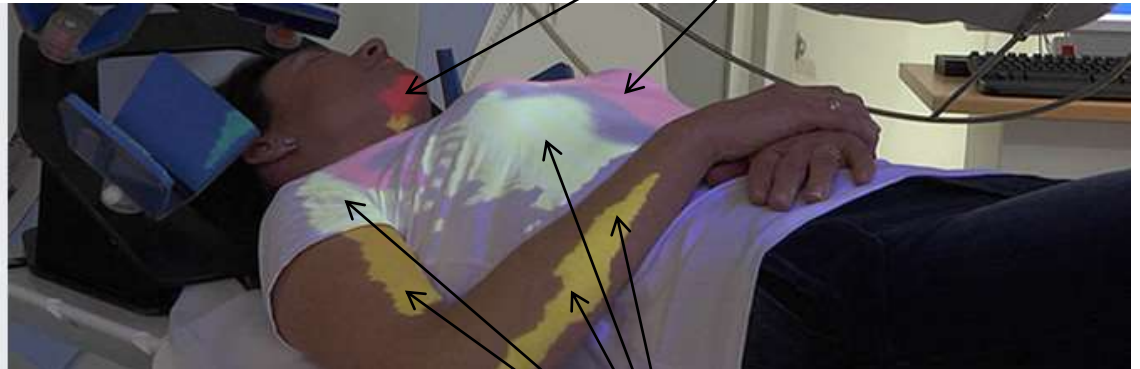
➔ Geometrical corrections via couch and Interfaces to Linacs

Rückprojektion : Torso Rotation

Muss nach **unten** (weil Rot)

 catalyst

THE HIGH END
SOLUTION FOR
MOTION MANAGEMENT



Muss nach **oben** (weil Gelb)



Patient setup and
Positioning

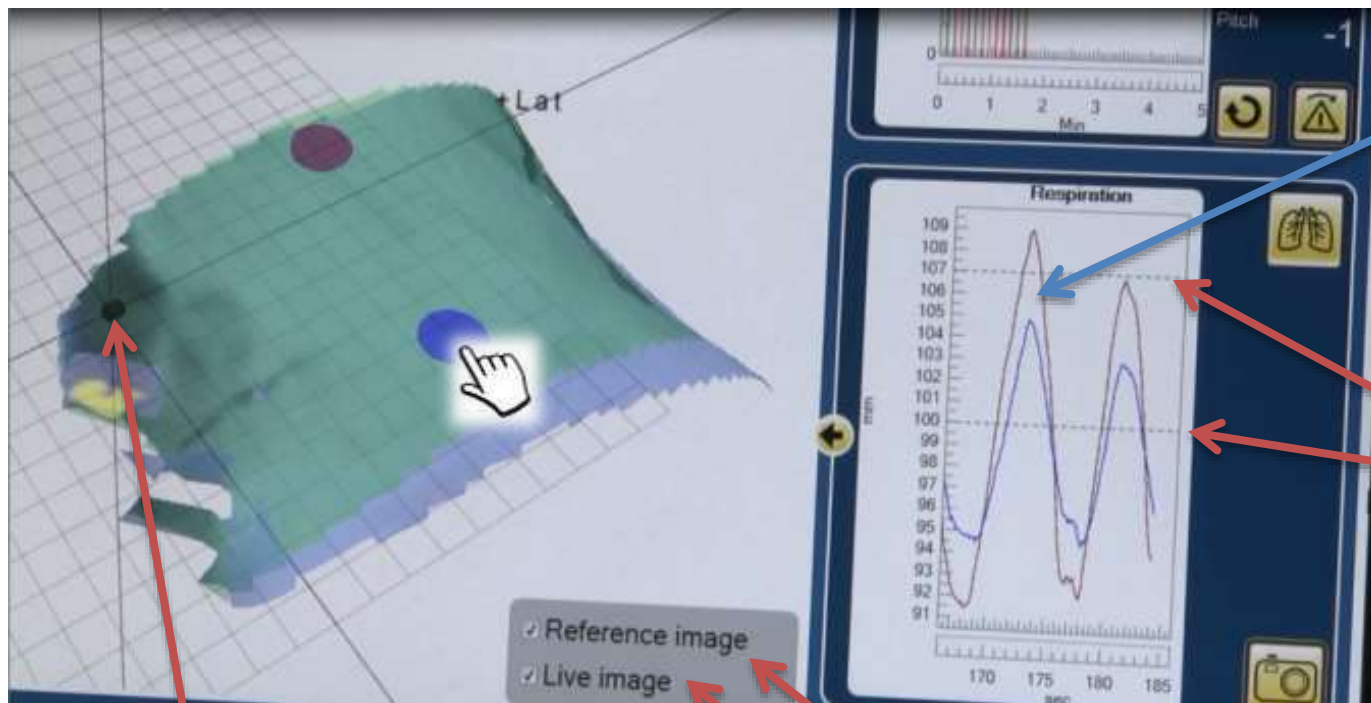


Motion detection



Respiratory gating

Respiratory Gating with the Catalyst in Linac Room (with Touch Screen Option)



Real-time Measurements (free breathing) in Linac Room

From CT for free-breathing

From Sentinel - CT

From Catalyst - Linac

1) Tumor's Isocenter

2) Linac = Catalyst Isocenter

Innovation und Flexibilität

Respiratory gating / coaching (DIBH)

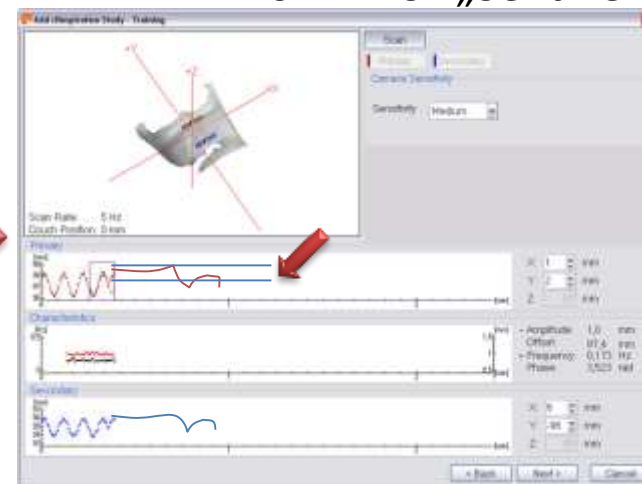
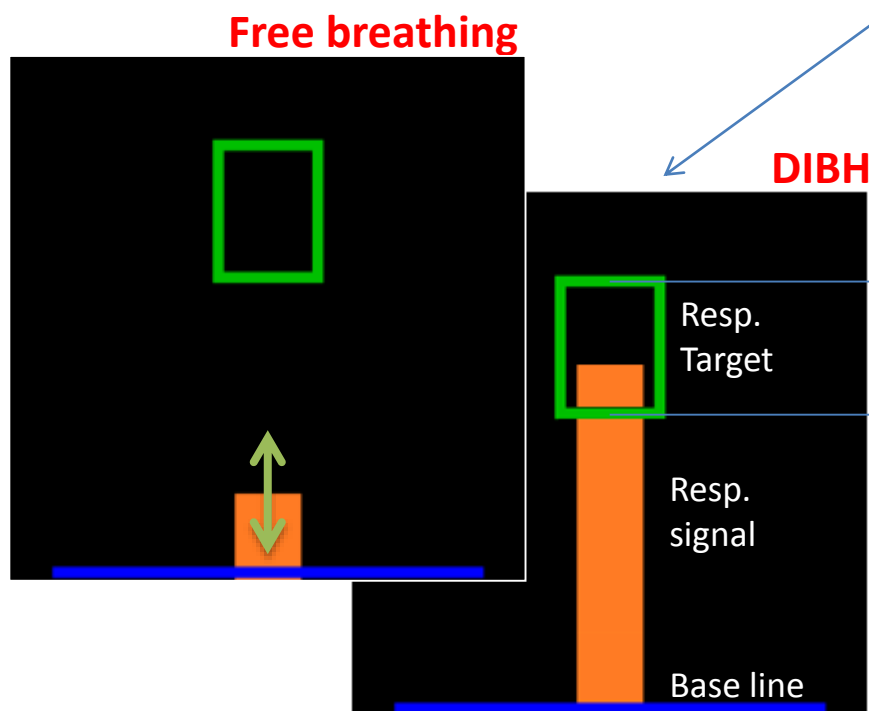


„Catalyst“
RT ← CT
„Sentinel“

Patient's Visual feedback

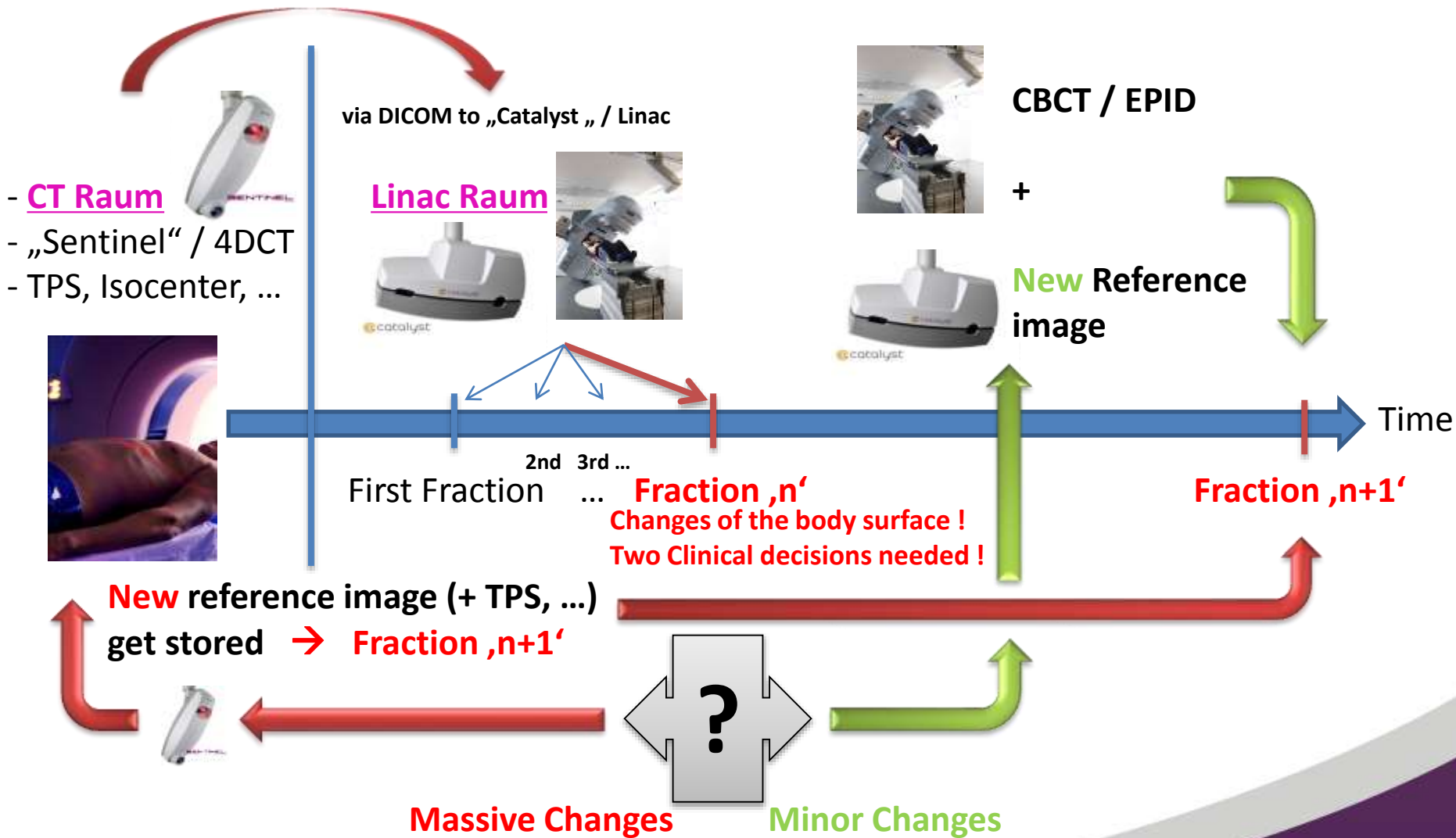
Exported via DICOM

from 4DCT „Sentinel“



Has the patient's surface **changed** after the first fractions ?

Always a dynamic Workflow :





Reduced fixation with optical monitoring for palliative whole brain radiotherapy treatment.

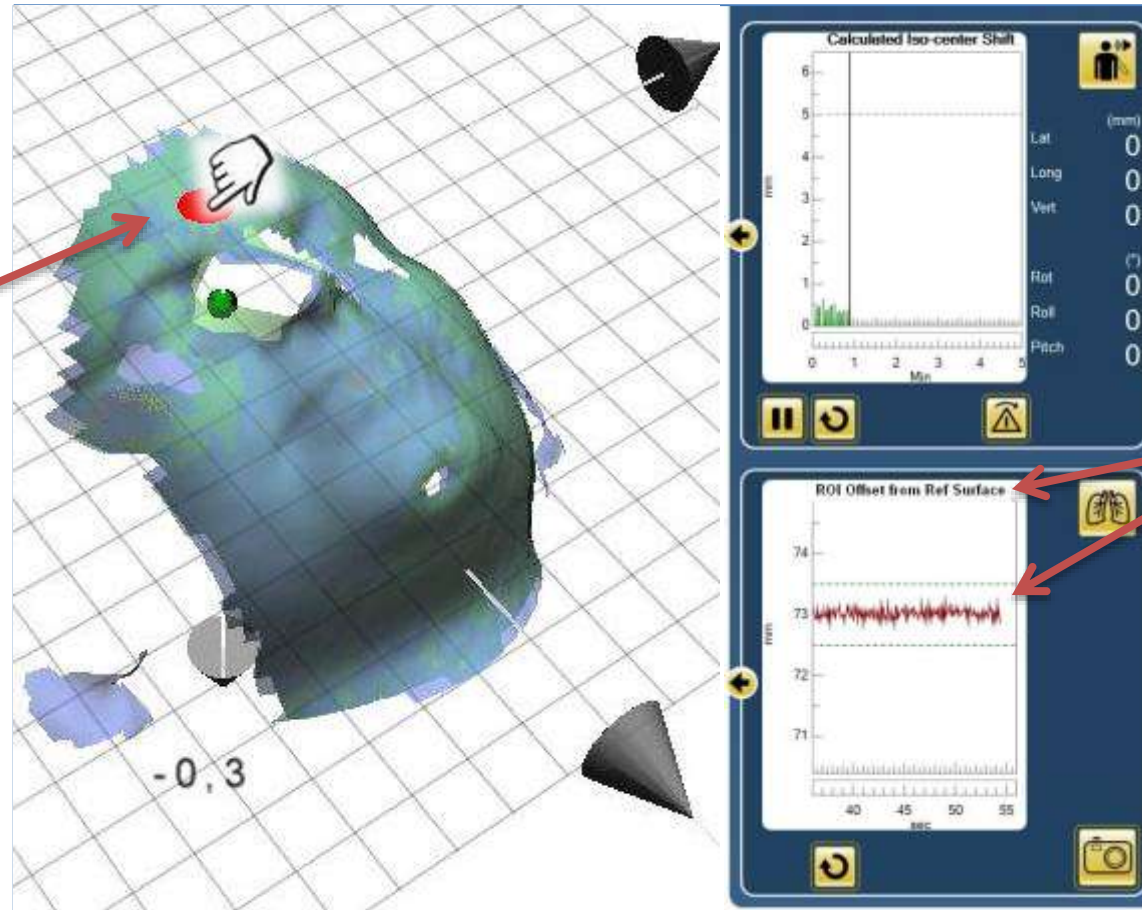
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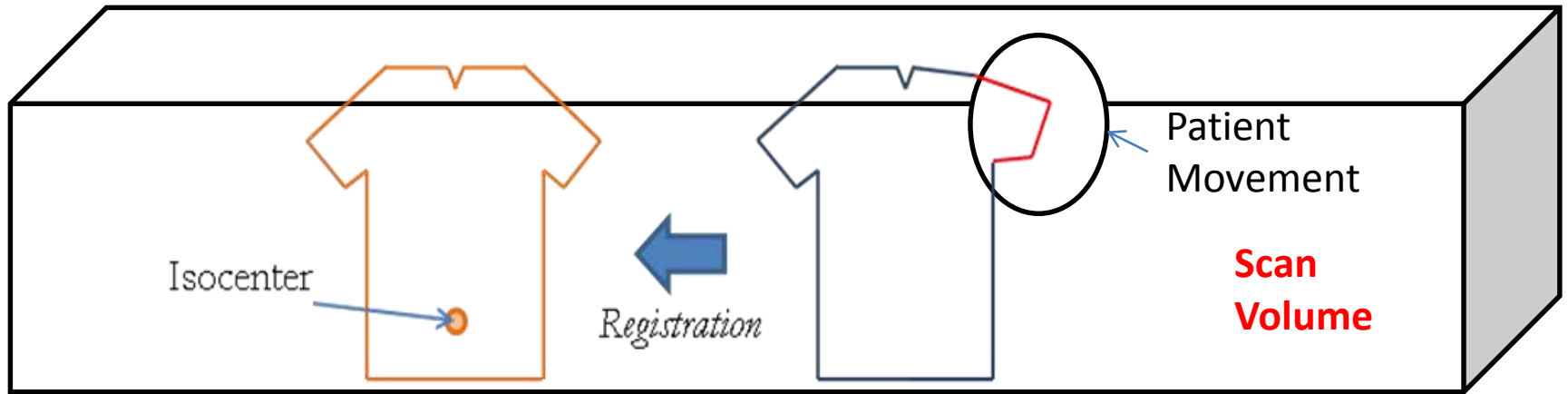
2 Skånes Oncology Clinique, Section of Radiation Therapy

„Head & Neck“ ... ohne Masken ... (Uni Lund, SE)

„Gating“ spot ...



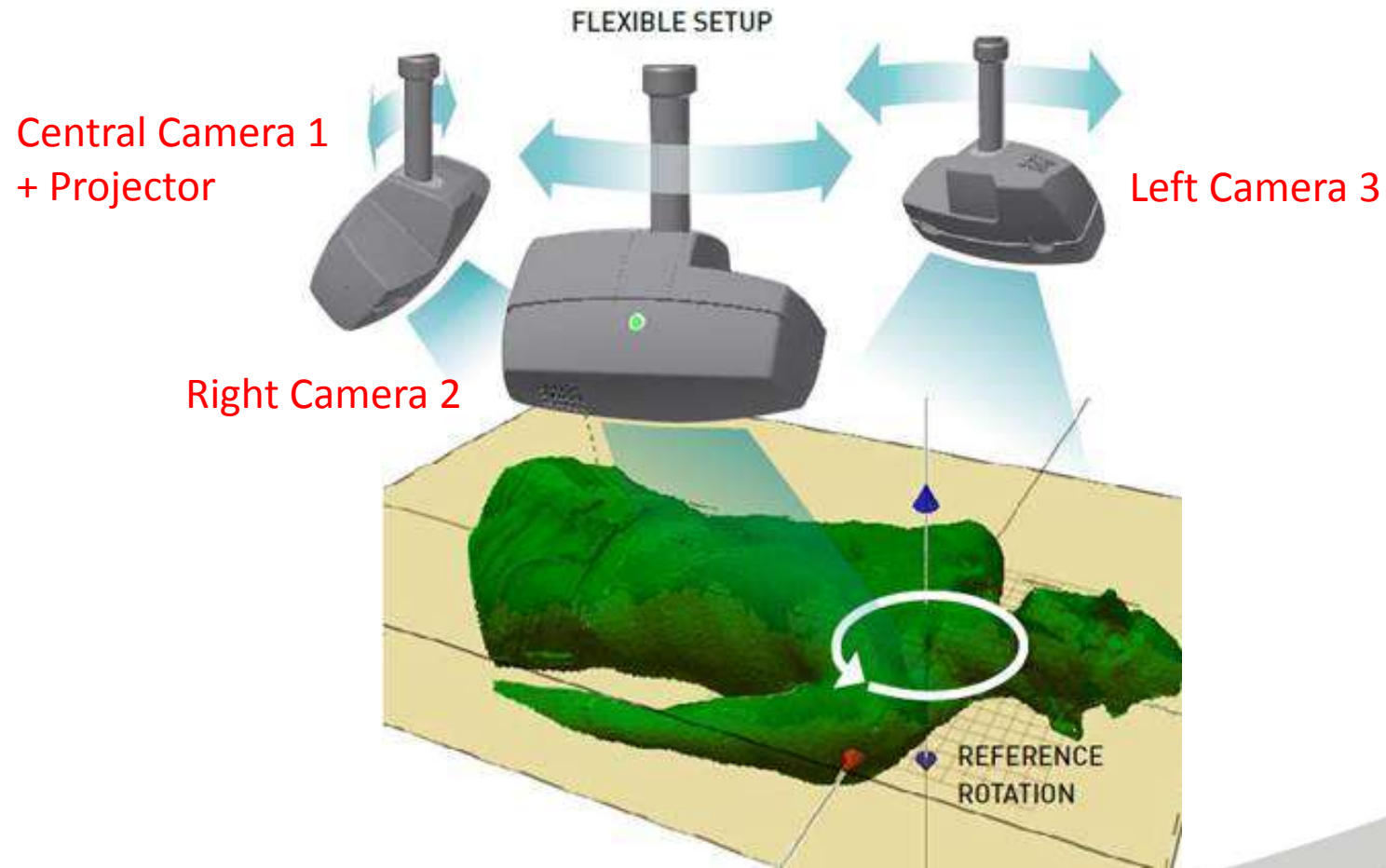
Non-rigid algorithm for isocenter calculation :



Rigid Registration = not C-RAD

Non-rigid Registration = C-RAD (Elastic)

3-Camera Solution

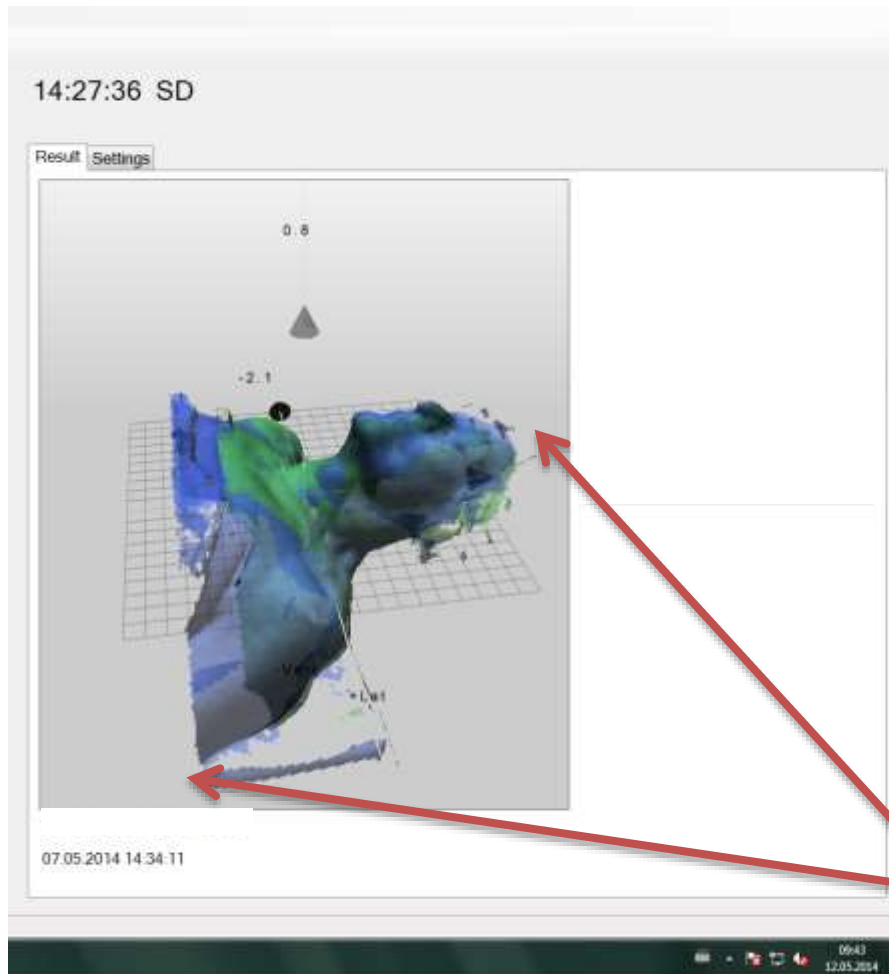


3-Camera Solution KFJ Spital – Wien –



- Also for Stereotactic and PT Treatments
- Full Patient Surface coverage
- Monitoring independent from couch kicks

3-Camera Catalyst Stereotactic Report with Screen View



Benefits for Stereotactic Applications :

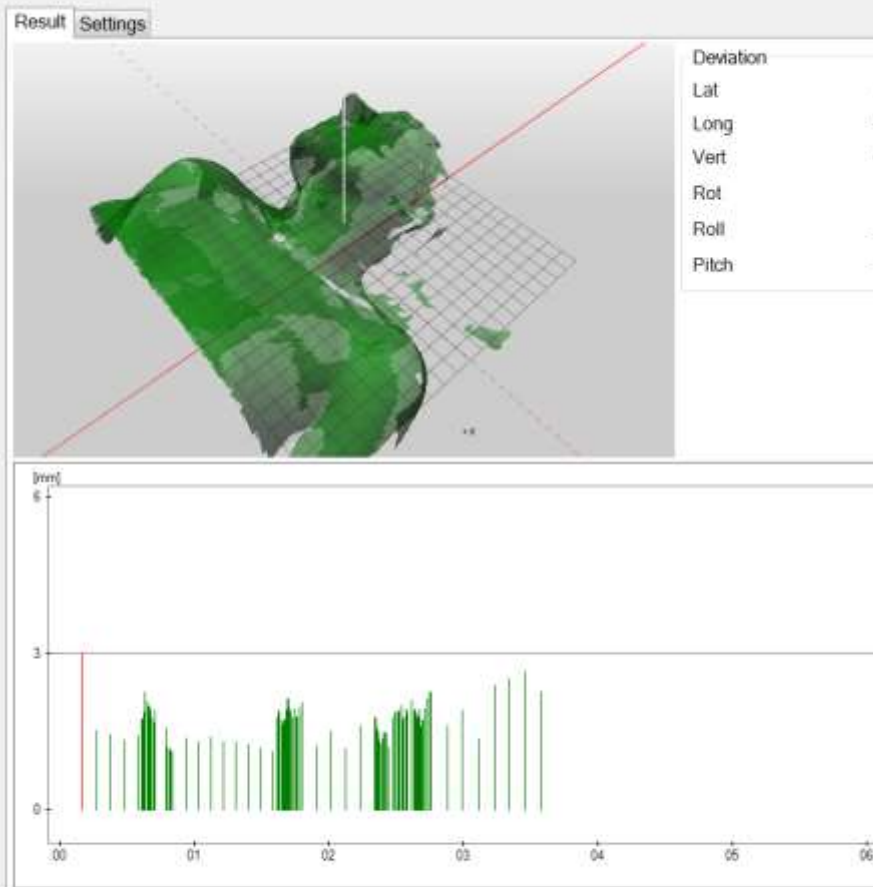
- 1) Full patient coverage indep. from couch kicks
- 2) Positioning
- 3) Motion
- 4) Gating
- 5) Audio/Vidual (Googles)
- 6) Non-rigid Algorithm

Critical Angles / Views

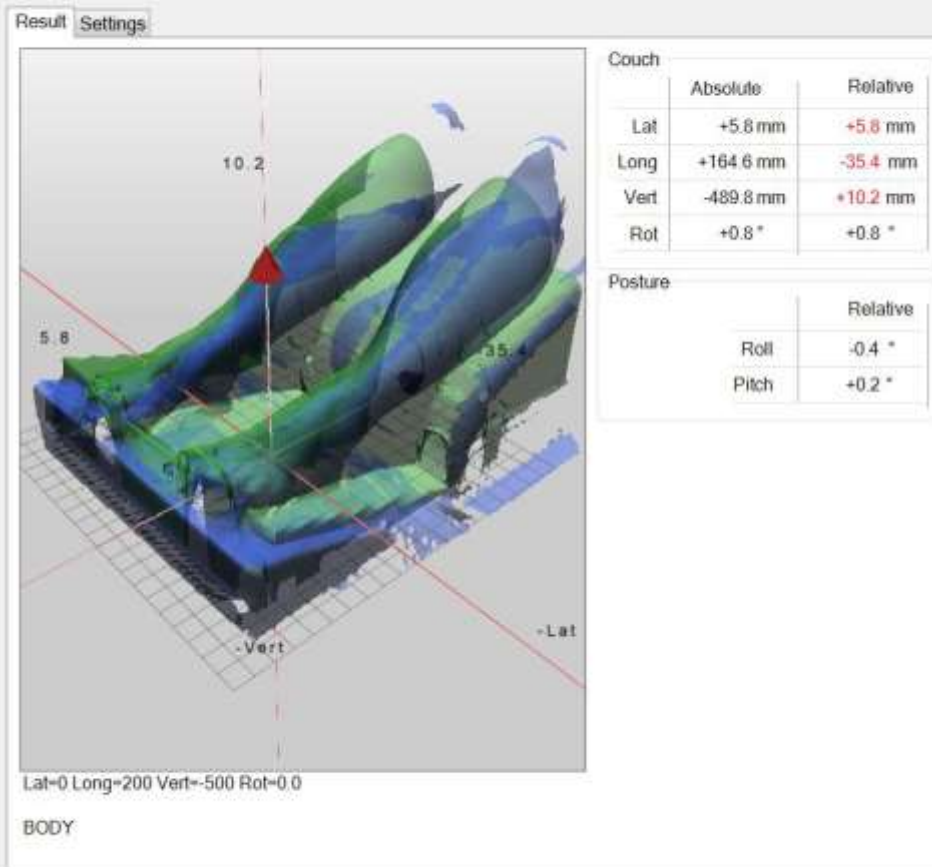
→ Instant verification of postural errors (shoulder and head rotation)

Three more examples :

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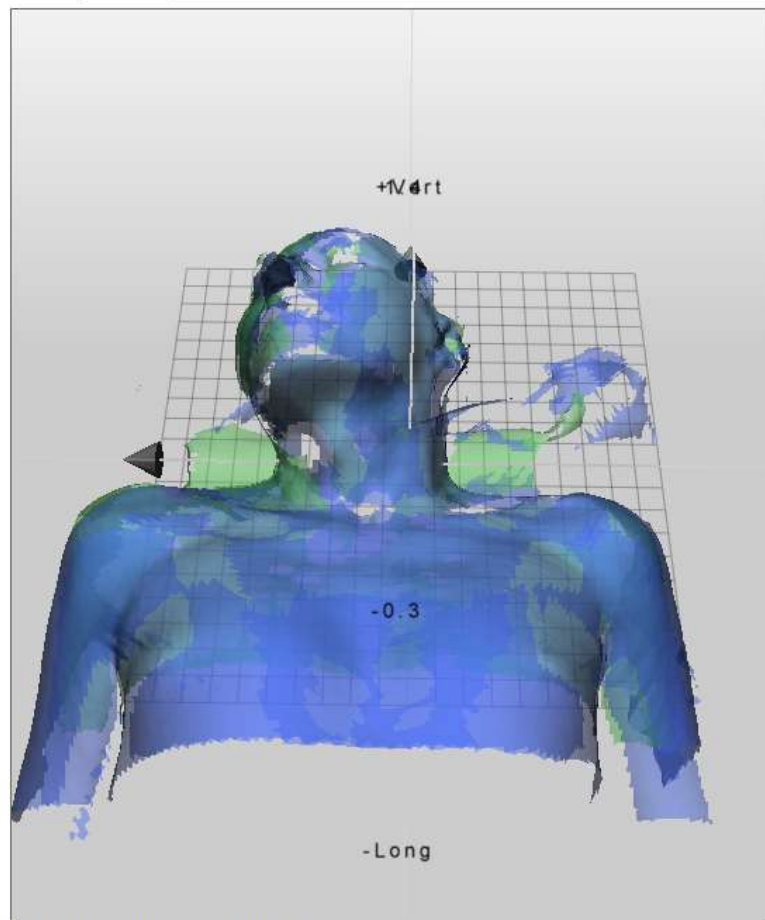


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Result Settings



Lat=0 Long=0 Vert=0 Rot=0.0

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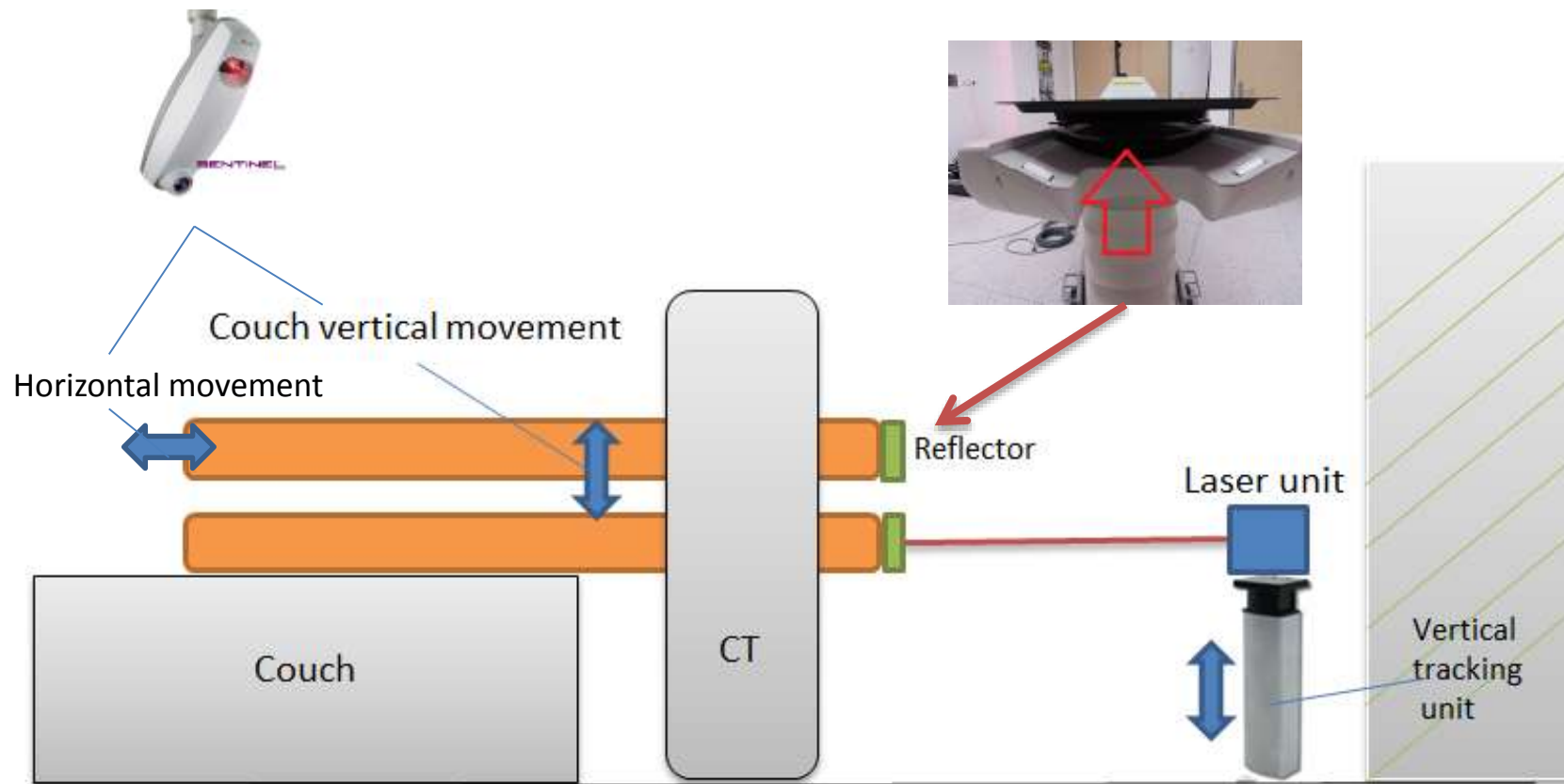
Couch

	Absolute	Relative
Lat	-2.0 mm	-2.0 mm
Long	+1.4 mm	+1.4 mm
Vert	-0.3 mm	-0.3 mm
Rot	+359.2 °	-0.8 °

Posture

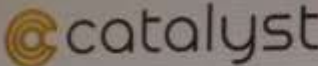
	Relative
Roll	-0.6 °
Pitch	+0.4 °

New : Table Tracking for "Sentinel" in CT Rooms



Reporting

(on screen and in .pdf)

 Patient: AIRO 2014 Padova
Patient ID: 1234
Personal ID:
Room: Room 1
Scanner: Catalyst

Patient session report

Summary

Start time: 09.11.2014 14:52:45
End time: 09.11.2014 15:07:18
Comment:

cPosition Results

Date	Site	Reference	Lat (mm)	Long (mm)	Vert (mm)	Rot (°)	Roll (°)	Pitch (°)
09.11.2014 15:02:05	Default	09.11.2014 10:42:20	+19,7	+21,8	+1,3	-4,1	0,0	0,0
09.11.2014 15:02:30	Default	09.11.2014 10:42:20	+19,7	+21,8	+1,3	-4,2	+0,1	0,0
09.11.2014 15:03:43	Default	09.11.2014 15:02:33	+0,1	-0,1	+0,4	0,0	-0,1	+0,1
09.11.2014 15:04:04	Default	09.11.2014 15:02:33	+0,3	-0,1	+0,5	0,0	-0,1	+0,1
09.11.2014 15:05:18	Default	09.11.2014 15:02:33	-0,2	+2,2	+0,7	-0,4	0,0	0,0

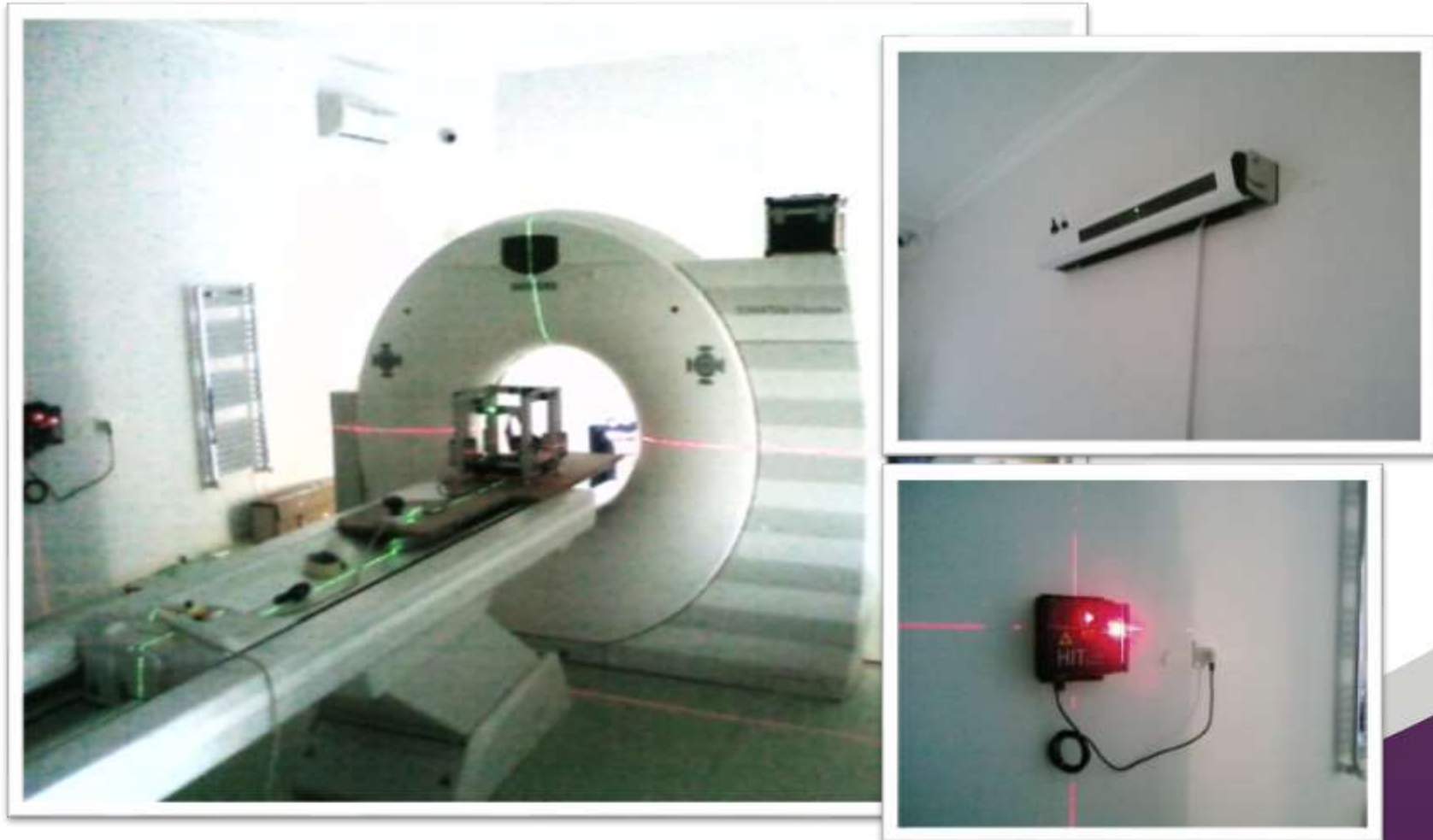
cMotion Results

Date	Duration	Site	Max deviation (mm)	Tolerance (mm)
09.11.2014 15:05:27	00:01:51	Default	26	5,0
09.11.2014 15:04:08	00:00:02	Default	-	5,0

cRespiration Results

Date	Duration	Site	Reference
09.11.2014 15:04:08	00:00:01	Default	08.11.2014 10:47:11
09.11.2014 15:05:27	00:01:51	Default	08.11.2014 10:47:11

Room Lasers : View of a mobile and a fixed laser with the SmartPhantom



Klinische Vorteile : Überblick

- **Patientenlagerung sowie Patienten Auto-Setup** →
mit Tischinterface sowie Schnittstelle zum Bestrahlungssystem, interessant ist die Möglichkeit der **Rückprojektion**, d.h. Lagerungsfehler werden während des Setups direkt auf den Patienten projiziert (plus Screen im Kontrollraum) : **Vorteil** für die MTRA's, bei Positionierung, Gating und Bewegungsmanagement, ohne Markers, Belts und Fiduciary Points = mehr Komfort für alle.
- **Patientenüberwachung nach der Positionierung und während der gesamten Bestrahlung** →
dies ist insbesondere dann interessant, wenn entweder lange Bestrahlungszeiten vorliegen oder mit einer **hohen Dosisrate** bestrahlt wird.
- **Respiratory Gating** →
Durch die Erfassung der Oberfläche und der Tatsache, dass **keine Marker** angebracht werden müssen, ergeben sich große Vorteile für die Bestrahlung linker Mammern und Lungentumoren.
- **Tisch und Linac autom. Steuerungen** → via Interfaces.

Results



AT SKÅNE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, SWEDEN



Skåne University Hospital has a deep experience in respiratory gating. The clinical implementation of respiratory gated treatments was in 2009 based on the Varian RPM System.

Since 2011 the Skåne University Hospital has been involved in the evaluation and implementation of clinical workflows for the new functionalities based on the unique features of the Catalyst system. The installations are on Varian 230 Cinesc and on Siemens Somatom Definition CT scanner.

Markerless and accurate solution

The respiratory gating solution is based on deep inspiration breath hold used on left sided breast patients with prospective CT image acquisition on the Siemens scanner. The aim of this technique is to save organs at risk (heart, coronary artery) for the breast patients and therefore minimize the side effects of the treatment. A gated CT scan is performed and gated treatment is delivered only when the expiration between the target and organs at risk is as planned.

It is important that the breathing is reproducible from day to day, therefore it is valuable that the respiratory signal is expressed in absolute coordinate system indicating if there is a base shift in the signal. The patient is guided with audio and visual coaching

in order to ensure that the breathing has the same pattern as during the CT acquisition.

"One of the many strengths with the C-RAD's gating solution is that we are able to gather one or two respiratory signals directly on the skin, with no need for markers and without constraints on the location for signal acquisition."

Charlotte Thörnberg, PhD

In parallel with the gated treatment delivery the patient is monitored in real time and the beam will be turned off via the MMI interface if the movements are outside allowed intervals.



Interactive adjustment for posture errors

Especially for breast patients it is important that the arms are placed in the same position in every fraction, since their position may affect the target placement. If an arm is not in the correct position the system is projecting a clear indication of the magnitude and direction of the adjustment that

need to be done. This indication is updated in real time with the remaining adjustment. When the posture errors have been corrected the couch is moved to the correct position with automatic couch adjustment.

Overall the system is very intuitive and easy to use.

Ensure that treatment is not delivered when patient is moving

The patient monitoring application shows clearly if the patients are moving during treatment delivery. This is something that was not easy to see before, because the supervision was done visually by the treatment personnel. Using the beam flow function on the Linc we can make sure that treatment is not delivered when the patient movements exceed the thresholds.

We have also used the recorded results to show to previous patients that the treatment went well and that they did not move, with the positive outcome that they felt more relaxed the following fractions."

(Charlotte Thörnberg, PhD)

Results

Increased patient throughput for treatment with helical tomotherapy

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1. Purpose

Treatment with helical tomotherapy is beneficial for many patients compared to treatment with a conventional C-arm line. To be able to treat more patients with tomotherapy the total treatment time per fraction for every patient has to be shortened.

One way of doing this is to replace the time consuming use of MVCT imaging for positioning of the patient with a faster laser scanning positioning system, for most fractions in a treatment. The Sentinel system (C-Rad AB, Uppsala, Sweden) is such a system and it has been used for a year for patients receiving treatment with helical tomotherapy at our hospital. A time study has been performed to quantify how much time the system can save per fraction and subsequently how much the patient throughput can increase.

2. Conclusions

This study shows that significant amount of time can be saved if using the sentinel system as an alternative method to MVCT imaging for positioning the patient, when treating with helical tomotherapy. The time saved can be used for a substantial increase in the number of patients treated with this technique.

Another benefit with limiting the number of MVCT scans is the reduction of the awarded dose from MVCT scans received by the patients. The disadvantage with Sentinel system is that it scans and positions the surface of the patient but we almost always treat internal structures. This means that the surface positioning must correlate with the correct positioning of the treated internal structures for the system to be useful. The dosimetric consequences of not using the MVCT for the positioning of the patients needs to be investigated in future studies.



Figure 2. The Sentinel system hardware consisting of a laser and a camera in a single unit.

3. Methods

The sentinel system was used for the positioning of the patients when the MVCT imaging system was not utilized. The study was performed for 20 patients (2-5 fractions) in the study. The time when the patient entered the treatment room was registered as well as the time when the patient left. The time it took to MVCT scan the patient and the time it took to match the MVCT scan to the planning MVCT scan was registered.

The total treatment time (patient entering treatment room until patient leaving) was compared for fractions when the laser scanning positioning system was used vs. fractions when the MVCT imaging system was used. The increased patient throughput was calculated based on an imaging protocol that stipulates that the MVCT imaging system is used for positioning of the patients for the first three

4. Results

The positioning of the patient with the use of MVCT imaging (scan + match) took on average 15 minutes to perform. The total treatment time was on average 25 minutes (with a standard deviation of 15 minutes) when the MVCT system was utilized and 15 minutes on average (with a standard deviation of 4 minutes) when the laser scanning system was used. A box plot of total treatment times can be seen in Figure 1. Reduced MVCT scans according to the imaging protocol would result in an increased patient throughput of about 50%.

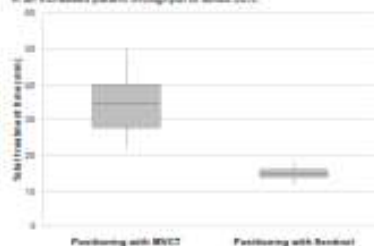


Figure 1. Box and whisker plot displaying the total treatment time from their patient enters the treatment room until they leave when positioned with the MVCT system or with the Sentinel system, for patients treated with the helical tomotherapy. Boxes represent the inter-quartile range (25th to 75th percentile), and whiskers indicate the 5th and 95th percentiles. The line represents the mean values.

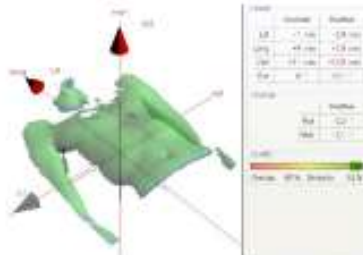


Figure 3. Proposed positioning corrections from the Sentinel system software after a laser surface scan in preparation for helical tomotherapy treatment in the treatment room.



A pilot study of breast cancer patient positioning using optical surface scanning and reprojection

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Aim

The aim of this pilot study was to evaluate the optical scanning system CatalystTM (C-Rad, Uppsala, Sweden) for pre-treatment patient positioning for external beam radiotherapy.

Background

The CatalystTM system is intended to serve as a complement to x-ray imaging with the potential benefit of detecting misplacement of for example the arm during breast cancer treatment. Incorrect arm positions might affect the tumour position due to skin stretching and contraction of muscles such as the pectoralis muscles. Changes in the soft tissue, where the tumour is located, would not be detected using x-ray imaging.



Figure 1. Mispositioned arm highlighted in red by the projection.



Figure 2. Reference (blue) and second scan (red) of a patient overlapping. The scanning system detected a difference in arm position.

Materials and Methods

A CatalystTM system was installed in the waiting room above the couch at the treatment room. The CatalystTM consists of a LED projector projecting a mesh pattern onto the patient. A CCD-camera registers the projected pattern and reconstructs a surface 3D-mesh. Using the LED projector, deviations between the body contour and the contour reconstructed from the CT-scan will be colored giving the therapy potential instant feedback during the patient positioning (Figure 1).

A total of 12 treatment sessions (four patients) were analyzed in this study. After patient setup and position correction based on planar kV-imaging of the thorax wall and spine, the thorax region was scanned and registered using the CatalystTM system. At each treatment session a new surface image was acquired after patient positioning (Figure 2).

Interfractional changes in arm position were observed by measuring the angle of the upper arm (humerus) in the sagittal and coronal planes. To find misplacements, each measured arm position was compared to the median value of all treatment sessions of the same patient.

Results

In the sagittal plane, the arm position was within ±2 degrees from the median value in 62 % of the treatment sessions and within ±5 degrees in 71 % of the treatment sessions. The maximum observed deviation was 4 degrees from the median value.

In the coronal plane, the arm position was within ±2 degrees from the median value in 61 % of the treatment sessions and within ±5 degrees in 90 % of the treatment sessions. The maximum observed deviation was 6 degrees from the median value.

Conclusions

After patient setup using planar x-ray imaging, interfractional changes in the patient's arm position were observed using optical scanning. No misplacements were not detected using planar kV imaging of the thorax region. An optical scanning of the patient contour with a direct guidance, provided as the patient is a beneficial tool during patient setup with the potential of increasing both workflow and patient safety.



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