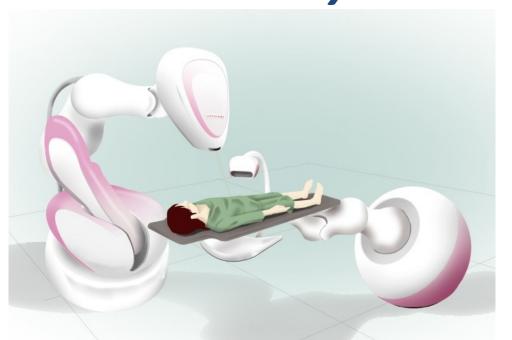
# Innovation and Future of Compact Accelerator Technologies in Medicine and Industry



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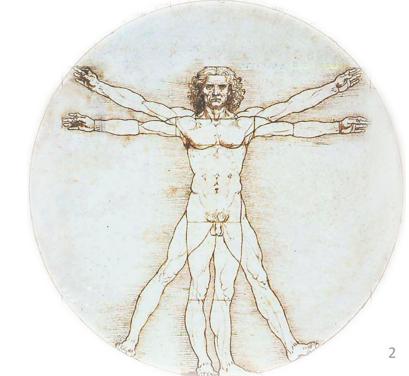
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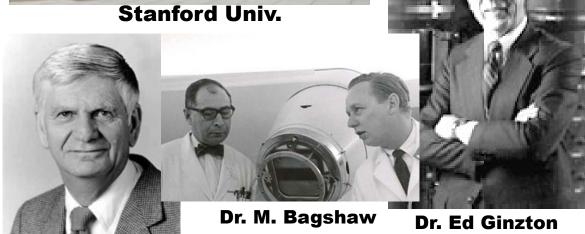


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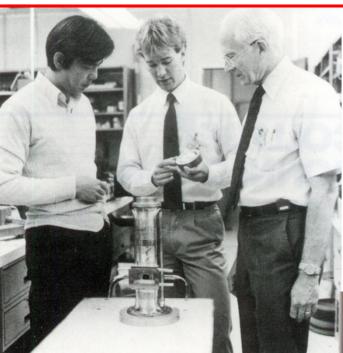


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### Microwave Electron Linear Accelerators



Manager, Microwave Research Varian, 1978



**Stanford Linear Accelerator Center** 



**Dr. Greg Loew** 



**Dr. Thomas Weiland** 



**Dr. Perry Wilson** 

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# **Start Venture!**



Start venture in the garage Sunnyvale, CA 1985



AET Associates, Inc. Cupertino, CA 1986



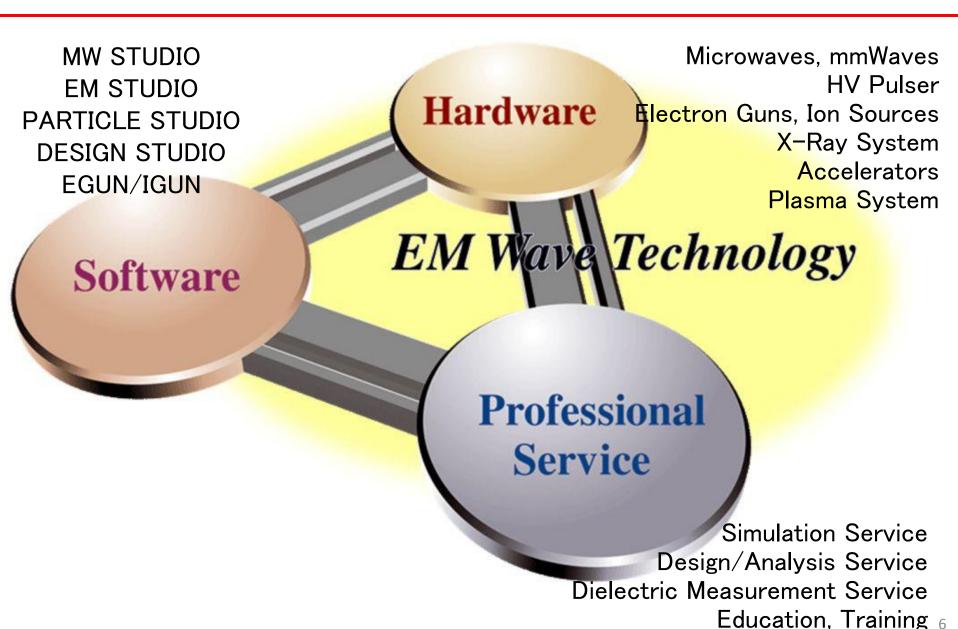
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# Advanced Electronics Technology



# Questions ??????

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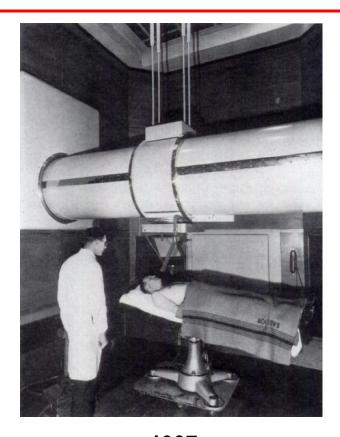
How Many Cancer Patients are Treated Daily by Linear Accelerators in the World?

When Radiation Treatment Started?

# History of Medical Accelerators

1895	W.K. Roentgen, X-ray was discovered.		
1913	W.D. Coolidge, Vacuum X-ray tube was developed.		
1931	E.O. Lawrence, Cyclotron was developed.		
1939	Medical Cyclotron Operation started. (Crocker, USA)		
1940	1.25MV pressurized type Van De Graff Accelerator was installed at Massachusetts General Hospital.		
1949	Medical treatment by 20MV X-ray of betatron. (Illinois University, Urbana, USA)		
1952	The first Co-ray was installed in Oakridge.		
1952	8MeV Medical Linear Accelerator Ver.1 was installed in Hammersmith Hospital. (London, UK)		
1956	4MV beam generated for the first time by 6MeV Linear Accelerator in USA. (Stanford, USA)		
1957	The Proton beam was used medical for the first time. (Sweden)		
1962	Isocentric Microwave Linear Accelerator was installed. (USA)		
1976	The first medical treatment by the Pion beam in LAMPF. (USA)		
198	The first Isocentric Cyclotron. (USA)		
199	The first Hospital use the Proton synchrotron for radiation therapy. (Romalinda, USA)		
199	Neutron radiation therapy by Super-conducting Cyclotron. (Harper, USA)		

### **Medical Accelerators**



1937 1 MeV Cockcroft Metropolitan Vickers London



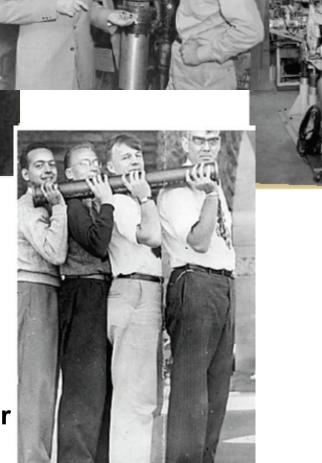
1956 First Patient, Stanford Univ.

# Stanford Hansen Experimental Physics Lab (HEPL)



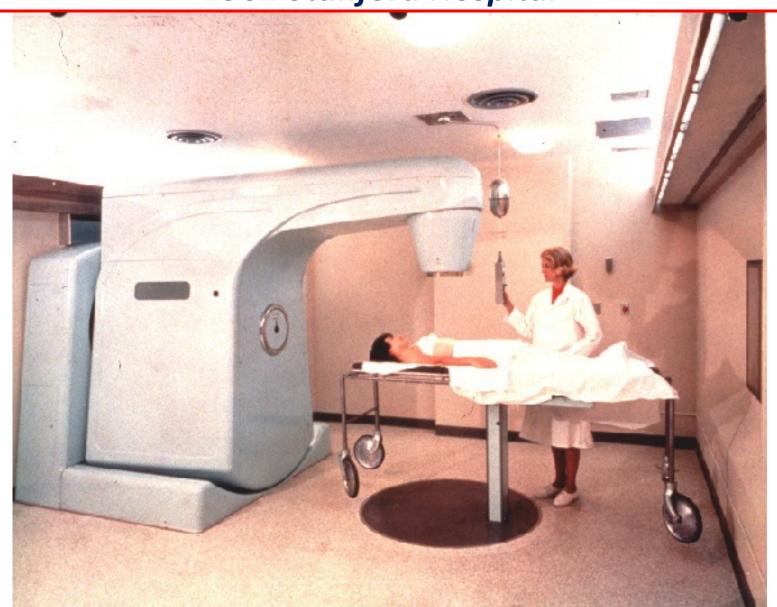
1939 Klystron R&D Varian Brothers and Prof. Hansen





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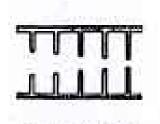
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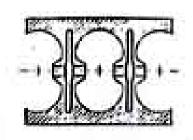
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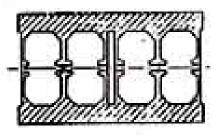


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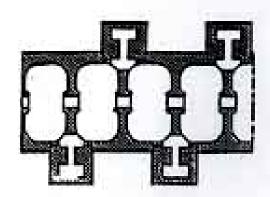


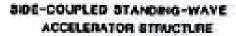


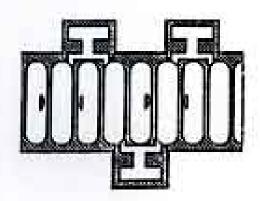
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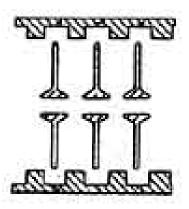
ACCELERATOR STRUCTURE





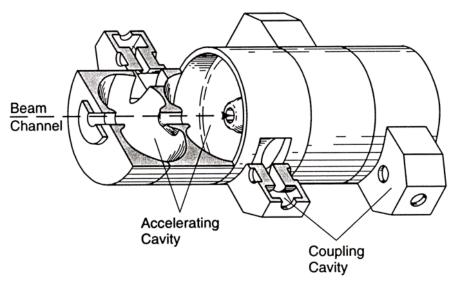


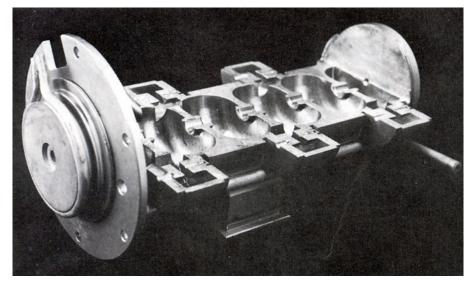
INTERLACED SIDE-COUPLED SW ACCELERATOR STRUCTURE



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# Side Coupled Standing Wave Structures

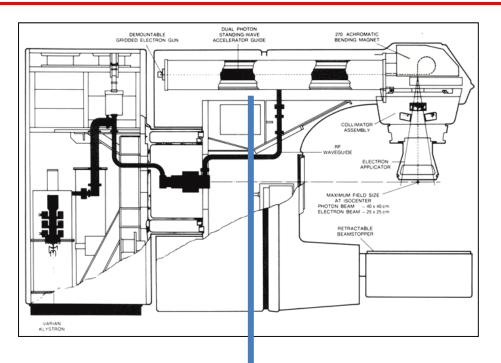




**Side Coupled Standing Wave Accelerator** 

Varian Clinac 4 (4MeV)

### Medical Electron Linear Accelerators





X Ray Head





- 1. Shorter and Smaller Size
- 2. Energy Variable(Low to High)
- 3. Higher Shunt Impedance



# High Gradient Accelerator Structure

VOLTAGE BREAKDOWN IN S-BAND LINEAR ACCELERATOR CAVITIES

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#### ABSTRACT

Voltage breakdown is one of the major limiting factors in the design of a high accelerating gradient linear accelerator structure. A multiple-use cavity test system was developed to establish the criteria for voltage breakdown in S-band pulsed electron linear accelerator cavities, in terms of cavity geometry, accelerating gradient, RF pulse shape and repetition rate, surface finish, temperature and external magnetic field. The experimental set-up and test procedure, as well as the experimental results, are presented.

#### INTRODUCTION

In the past several decades, new accelerator developments have lead to an increase in accelerator beam energy by a factor of 10 in every six years. Although accelerator technology has been steadily progressing every year, it appears that we are reaching the limit of maximum energy level due to the limited availability of funding and space, as well as technical problems. As a result, new types of accelerators with higher efficiencies (lower cost) and higher gradients (less space) become interesting. Similarly, the medical and industrial linear accelerator world is seeking more efficient and more compact structures for their new applications.

One of the major technical problems in the

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shunt impedance as high as 130 MQ/m can be acheived at S-band frequencies. However, as the shunt impedance increases, the peak electric field at the surface, especially at the nose, also increases. Using the LALA program, various cavity geometries were studied in terms of peak surface electric field and shunt impedance per unit length. Fig. 1 shows a plot of the ratio of the peak surface electric field, Ep, to the average axial accelerating electric field, Eo, vs. shunt impedance per unit length for a given beam hole diameter and web thickness. The figure clearly shows the tradeoff situation between the peak electric field and shunt impedance. The optimized shunt impedance with the constraints used (constant beam hole diameter and web thickness) appears to reach a limit of about 130 MQ/m with Ep/Eo values of 8 or higher.

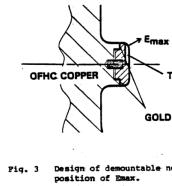
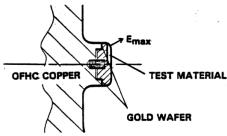


Fig. 2 A cross sectional view of the cavity test system.

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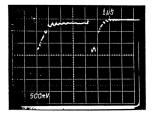
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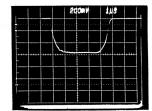
#### Table I

•	Cavity I	Cavity II	Cavity III
Freguency (MHz)	2997	2997	2997
$ZT^2/L$ (M $\Omega/m$ )	104.0	117.1	130.2
$E_{D}/E_{O}$	3.61	6.04	8.08
Otheor	18520	18411	16835
l (m)	0.025	0.025	0.025
Qexp (half cavity)	7780	7310	6670
Zeff (half cavity)	43.7	46.5	51.6
P <sub>t</sub> (MW)	2.52	1.02	0.45
E <sub>O</sub> (MV/m)	66.3	43.6	30.5
Emax (MV/m)	239.4	263.1	246.4

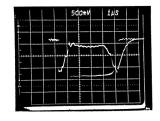
(Note) Operating Condition Pulse Width = 4.4 usec Repetition Rate = 200

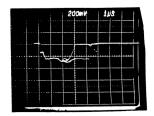
Cavity Starting Pressure = 2 x 10<sup>-7</sup> mmHg Cavity Surface Finish = 8 microinch





(A) NORMAL OPERATION





(B) BREAKDOWN LEVEL

# Voltage Breakdown at MW Frequencies

#### VOLTAGE BREAKDOWN AT X-BAND AND C-BAND FREQUENCIES

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#### Summary

Economy of length and electric power in the design of future linear accelerators requires a knowledge of the electric field breakdown limits in RF structures as a function of frequency. The limits predicted by the Kilpatrick breakdown criterion, which gives a law of maximum surface electric field increasing with frequency, have already been exceeded at frequencies under 1 GHz and S-band (3 GHz). The work described here explores these limits at 5 and 9 GHz in single cavities. Experimental setups, procedures and results are presented.

#### Introduction

In the design of high gradient accelerator structures (accelerating gradients over 100 MV/m) for high energy physics linear colliders, or for medical and industrial applications where space is limited, voltage breakdown becomes a major constraint. Recently, the authors of this paper have separately conducted a series of breakdown experiments at S-band frequencies and have obtained maximum surface electric fields in excess of 300 MV/m for a few µsec pulsed operation. 1,2 These results indicate that the maximum surface electric field for well prepared OFHC copper in a clean environment can exceed six times the "Kilpatrick breakdown criterion." It is of interest to investigate the breakdown threshold level at even higher frequencies since the criterion states that the maximum field increases with the operating frequency. Moreover, there are other advantages of using higher frequencies for accelerators, i.e., higher shunt impedance per unit length, smaller diameter, and shorter filling time.

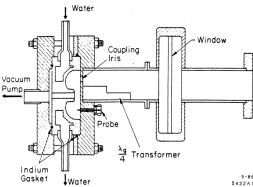


Fig. 2. A cross-sectional view of the C-band demountable, single-cavity tester.

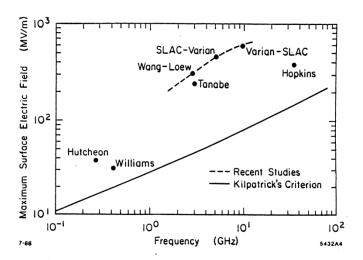


Fig. 1. Kilpatrick breakdown criterion and some experimental results.

Table 2. Field Calculated for Normalizing Conditions  $|\int_0^L E_z(z) \exp^{j(\omega z/c)} dz|/L = 1 \text{ MV/m}$ 

	C-Band	X-Band
Resonant frequency, $f$	4998	9303
$oldsymbol{Q}$ (half single cavity, including end plate)	7018	5595
r/Q per unit length	113.3 Ω/cm	158.8 Ω/cm
Energy stored, W	$3.915 \times 10^{-5} \text{ J}$	$7.205 \times 10^{-6} \text{ J}$
Power dissipated, $P_D = \omega W/Q$	176.8 W	76.26 W
Maximum surface field, $E_{max}$	7.542 MV/m	4.876 MV/m
Average accelerating field, $ar{E}_{acc}$	0.966 MV/m	0.908 MV/m
$E_{max}/ar{E}_{acc}$	7.81	5.37

### Microwave Gun

#### A 2-MeV MICROWAVE THERMIONIC GUN

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#### ABSTRACT

A high-gradient, S-band microwave gun with a thermionic cathode is being developed in a collaborative effort by AET, Varian, and SSPL. A prototype design using an upgraded Varian dispenser cathode mounted with thermal isolation directly in the first half-cell of a 1-1/2 cell, side-couples, standing-wave cavity has been fabricated and is being tested. Optimization of the cavity shape and beam formation was done using SUPERFISH, MASK, and PARMELA. An overview of design details, as well as the status of in-progress beam tests, will be presented.

#### INTRODUCTION

In a collaborative effort, AET Associates, Varian Associates (VA) and the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory (SSRL) are developing a 2 MeV S-band microwave electron gun. In one application it would be an integral part of a VA medical or radiographic accelerator. In another application it would be part of a SSRL pre-injector for SPEAR as a synchrotron light source. In the first case simplicity and compactness are the design criteria. The goal is to be able to mount a cathode directly in the first half cell of a standard VA side-coupled, standingwave accelerator section. Thus, the normally-used 20 kV gun insulator and pulse-transformer winding would be eliminated, but cathode thermal isolation and back-bombardment heating problems might be substituted. In the second case, a 1-1/2 cell (plus one side-coupling cel.) microwave gun will generate a train of bunches that will be compressed in time by an alpha magnet and narrowed in energy spread by slits built into the alpha magnet. A fast, FET-switched chopper-collimator at the entrance to a 150 MeV linac will allow selection of three bunches out of the several thousand that are produced over a range of energies and during several microwave gun cavity fill times.

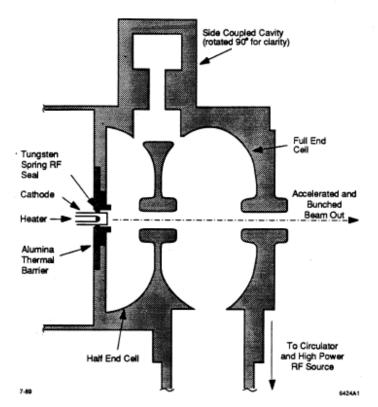


Fig. 1: Cross-sectional view of the 1-1/2 on-axis cells.

copper-plated ( $\sim 0.01$  mm). RF contact between the stem and the barrier is made via a tungsten-wire spring in the form of a

# Higher Shunt Impedance at Low Temp.

#### High Gradient Accelerator Cavities

#### At Liquid Nitrogen Temperature

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#### Abstract

It has been demonstrated in low power tests that the quality factor, Q of a microwave cavity made of copper is greatly increased by reducing the operating temperature to that of liquid nitrogen. Recently, two S-band cavities of different geometries were tested at liquid nitrogen temperature. The experimental results show that the increase in Q at low temperature was much less at high power levels than at low power levels. Furthermore, Q is a function of the peak power of the microwave pulse, rather than the average power level. In this paper, these experimental results are presented, and possible methods for optimizing the cavity geometry and processing to minimize this effect are discussed.

#### Introduction

The obvious advantages of the use of superconducting materials in particle accelerators have been explored extensively over the past 25 years<sup>1,2</sup>. However, the cost of constructing and operating the refrigeration systems necessary to maintain the low temperatures required<sup>3,4</sup> limits consideration of this approach to large, well-funded research projects.

An alternative worthy of investigation is accelerators constructed of conventional materials, operating at temperatures attainable with more conventional refrigeration systems of moderate cost. The conductivity of metals suitable for use in accelerators increases at low temperatures. Therefore the efficiency of a guide structure constructed of copper, for instance, can be increased by reducing its operating temperature.

The microwavé surface resistivity of OFHC copper decreases by a factor of at the temperature of liquid nitrogen  $(-197^{\circ}\text{C})^{5}$ . Considering the availability of this refrigerant and the modest cost of packaged cryogenic systems capable of maintaining this temperature, one might expect that an accelerator system operating under these conditions would prove advantaged for some applications. In particular, in situations where the space avail for the accelerator structure is limited, or where there is a limitation of the RF power available, this might be considered.

In order to evaluate the advantages and problems associated with a system operating at liquid nitrogen temperature, a limited investigation was undertaken at Varian with the following two objectives: first, to estable the feasibility of operating an accelerator structure at -1970C, and secont determine what advantages might be realized with respect to size or posinput requirements.

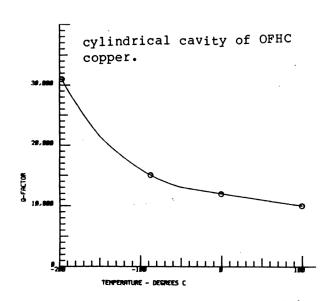


Fig. 1 Variation of Q-factor with temperature.

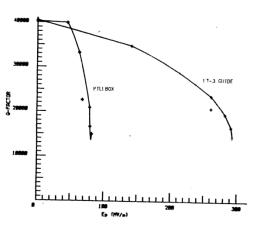


Fig. 4 Q-factor vs peak RF electric field at -1970c.

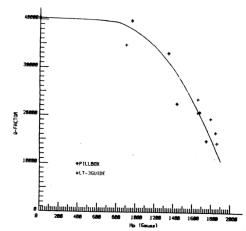
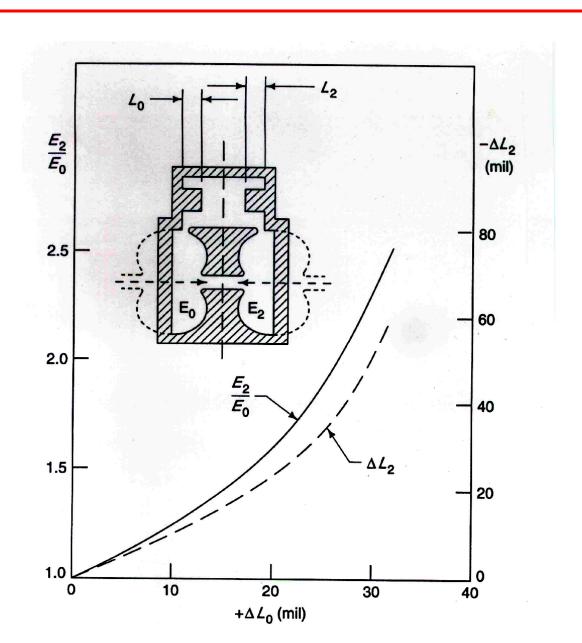
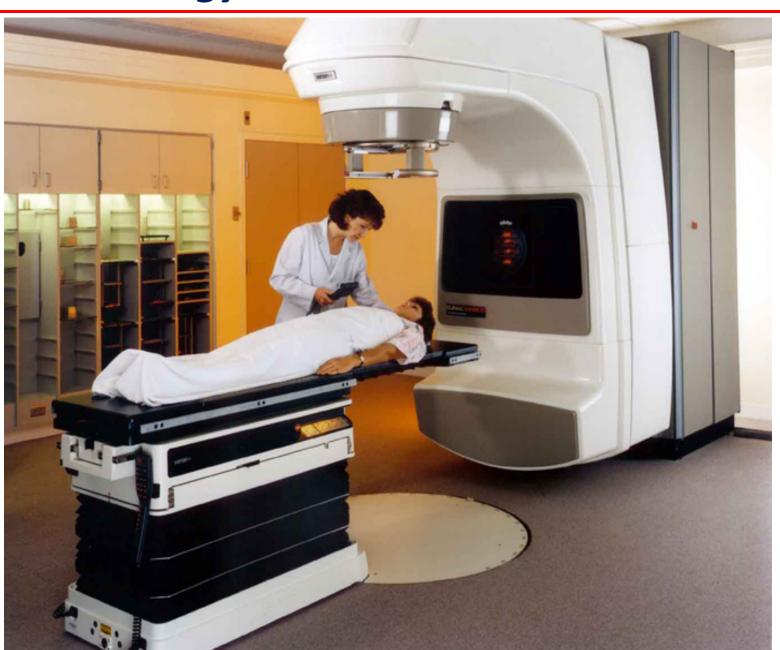


Fig. 5 Q-factor vs peak RF magnetic field at -1970

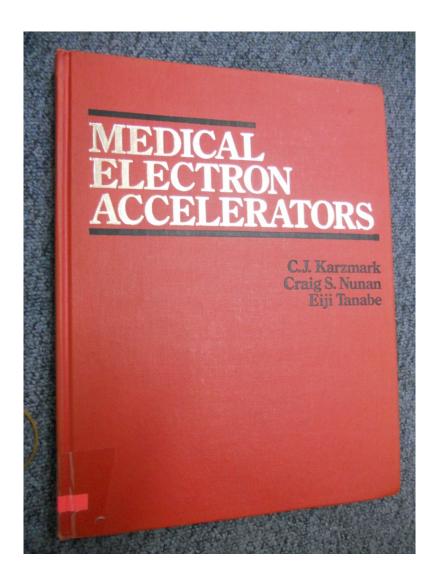
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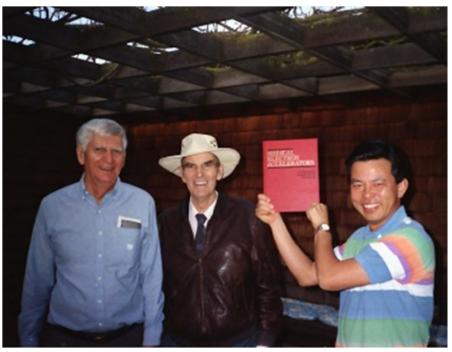


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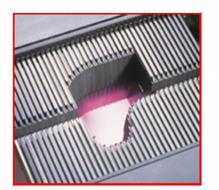
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# **Evolution of Radiation Therapy System**





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Management

2010s

Systemization and

Process 2000s

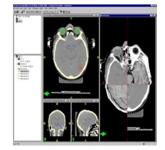


Dynamic Therapy and

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Software

1990s



**Computerized 3D CT Treatment Planning** 

Dual Photon Energy and

Computerization

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Higher Energy and E-Beam System Development

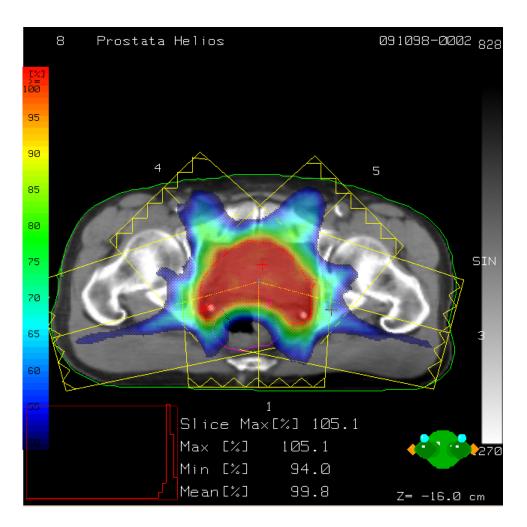
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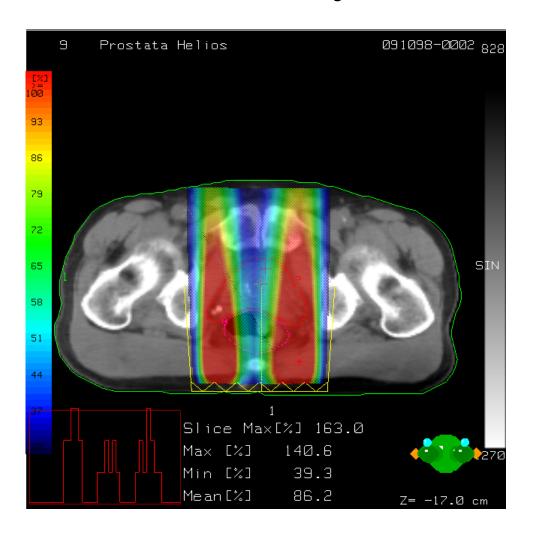
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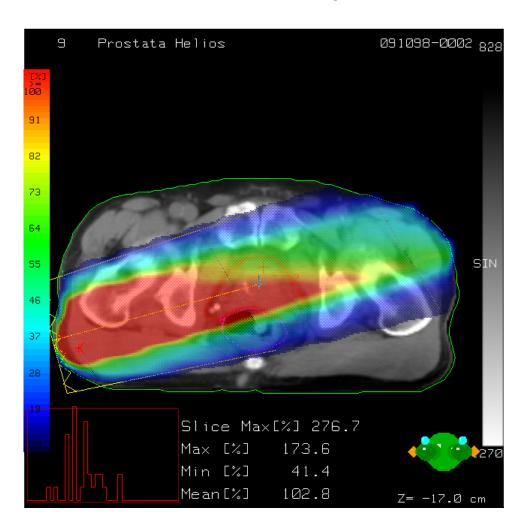
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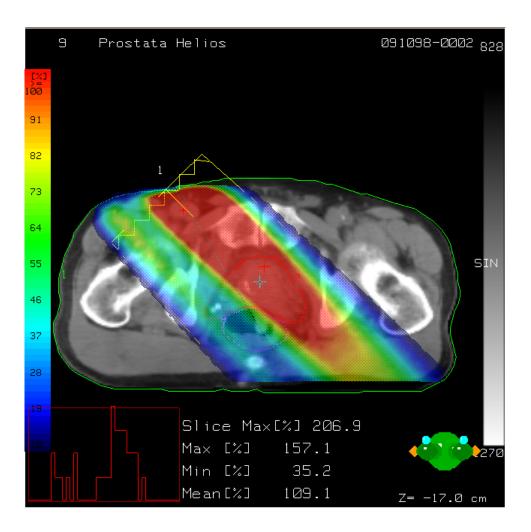


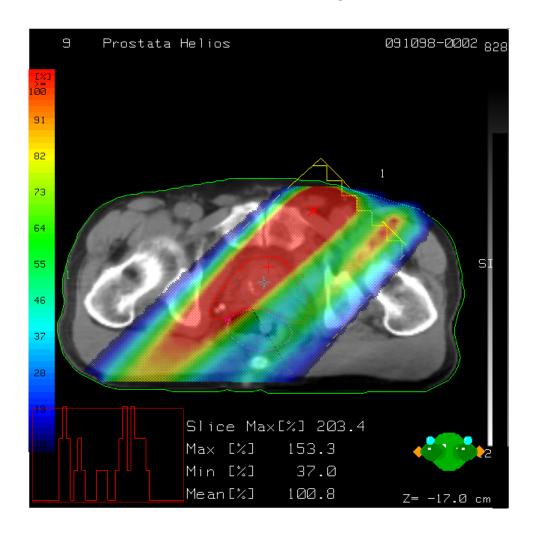


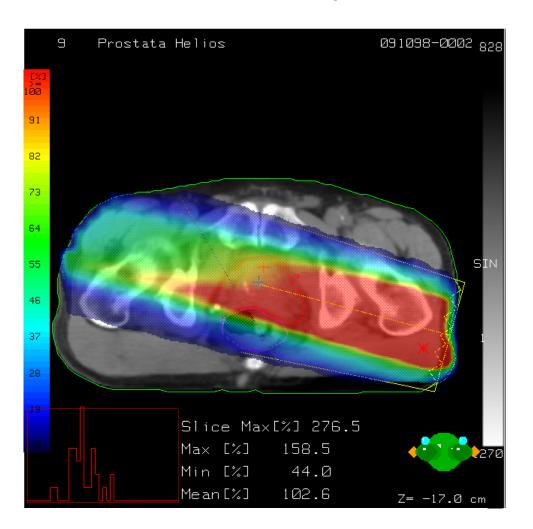


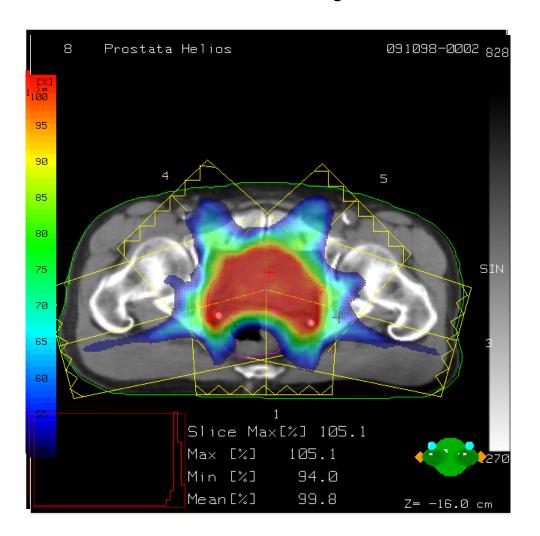






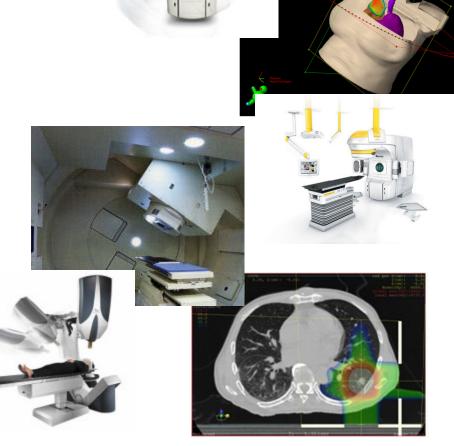






### Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy

- Not a machine, but a type of radiation delivery.
- <u>Stereotactic</u> = precise positioning of the target volume in 3 dimensions.
- Has become synonymous with high dose per fraction.
- Different delivery techniques (arcs, static fields, protons)



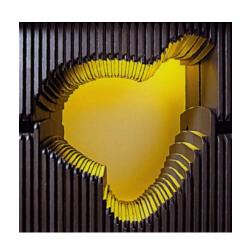
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# Image Guidance / Delivery Technology

- 1. Single X-ray tube added to delivery unit
- 2. Dual X-ray tubes and flat panels w or w/o fiducial markers
- 3. Ultrasound/CT matching with video image referencing
- 4. 3D Surface Alignment
- 5. Implanted fiducial markers with RF localization
- 6. CT on Rail
- 7. MV Portal Imaging
- 8. Multiple Fluoroscopic systems
- 9. CT + Simulator + Accelerator
- 10. Cone Beam CT on Accelerator
- 11. Digital Tomosynthesis
- 12. Megavoltage CBCT
- 13. Helical Tomotherapy with MVCT
- 14. Movable X-ray head with integrated CBCT
- 15. CT/Pet Systems
- 16. Integrated MRI imaging and radiation delivery

# Technologies required for Future RT

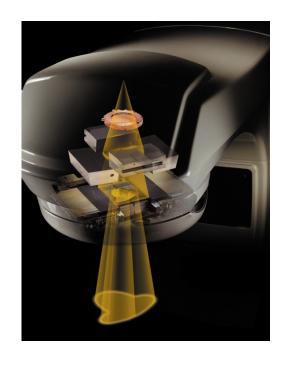
IMRT, IGRT, SRS, SRT **Adaptive RT**, Cone Beam CT, **Portal Vision**, KVXR.







**High Dose Rate High Accuracy in Space and Time Real Real Time Higher Stability Higher Efficiency Higher Freedom** 



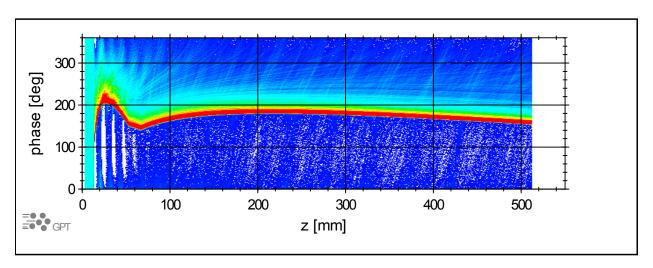
Compactness **Light weight Lower Cost Automatic System Lower Leakage Maintenance Free** 

# Medical Accelerator Core Technologies

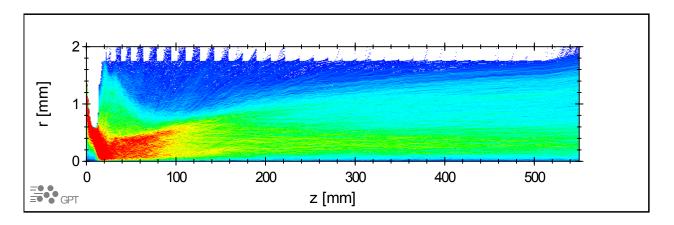
- Electron and Ion Beam Accelerator Technology
- Electron Gun, and Ion Gun Technology
- Numerical Simulation Technology
- HV Pulse Technology
- X-Ray Technology
- Vacuum Technology
- Robotics and Control Technology
- High Speed Signal Process Technology
- High Energy Photon Detection Technology
- Electromagnetics, and Microwave Technology
- Material, and Process Technology



# **Accelerator Beam Dynamics Simulation**

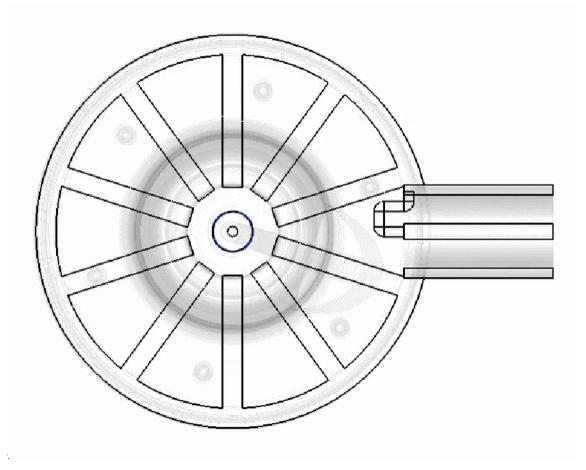


Phase Orbit Plot



Beam Radial Spread

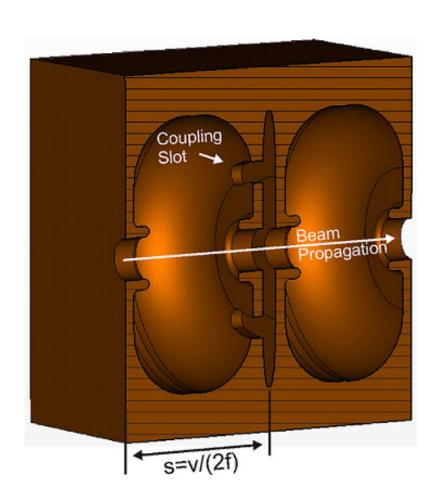
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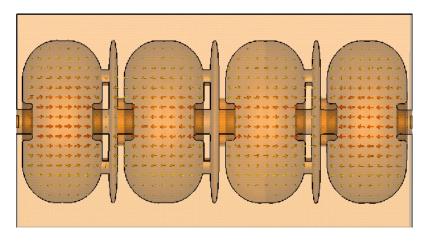


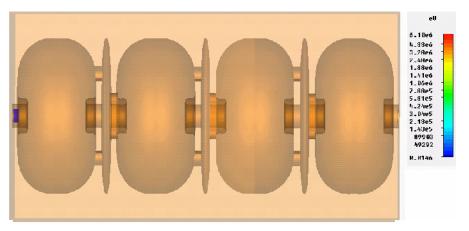
Spoke formation according to  $\pi ext{-Mode}$ 

Rotating direction can be changed due to sampling artefact.

# **Accelerator Beam Dynamics**

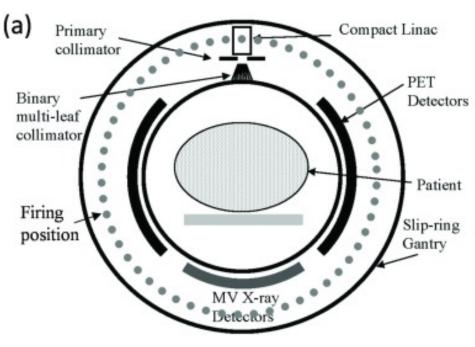


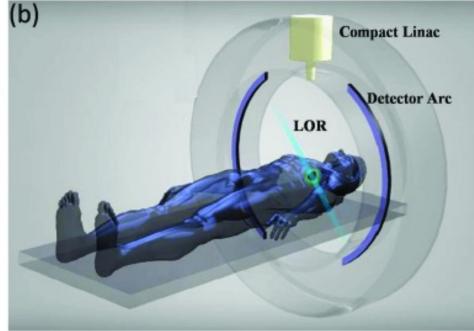




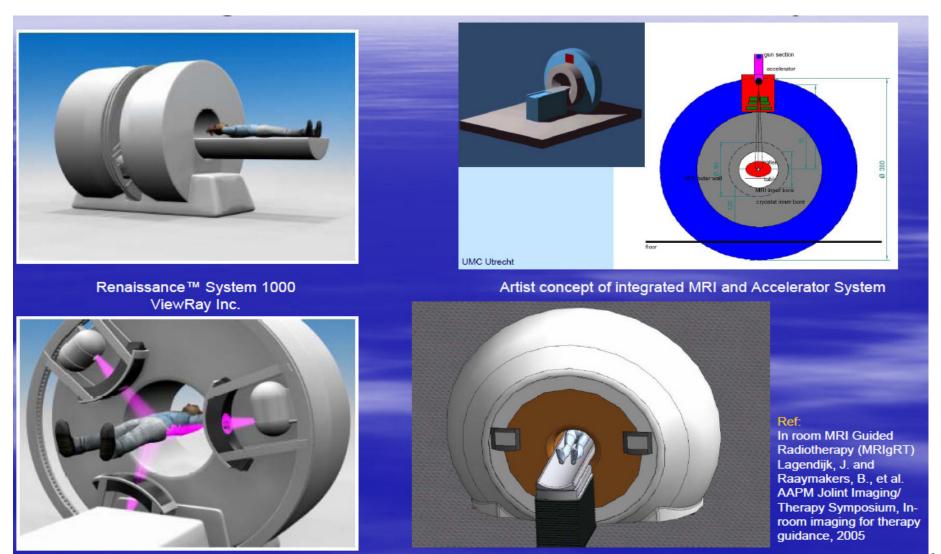
[1] Design, simulation and measurement conducted by M. Ruf, K. Thurn and L.-P. Schmidt at Chair for High Frequency Technology, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

# New Technology 1. PET / CT and Linac by Reflexion

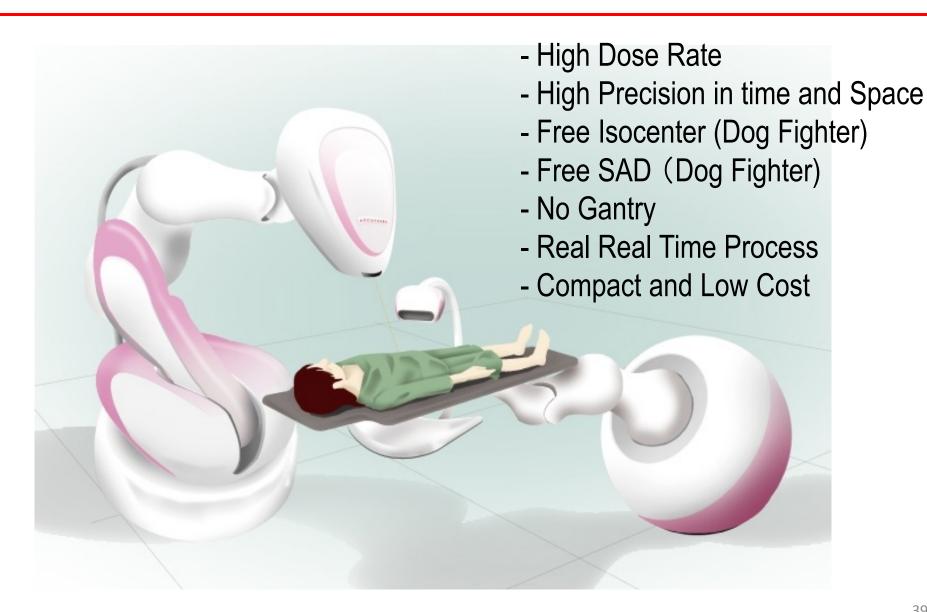




# New Technology 2. MRI and Gamma Radiation by ViewRay



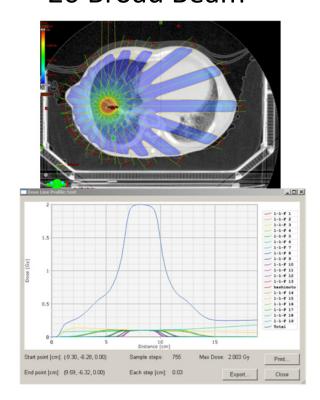
### **Next Generation RT System Combined with Early Tumor Detection Technology**



### Narrow Beam Accelerator Technology

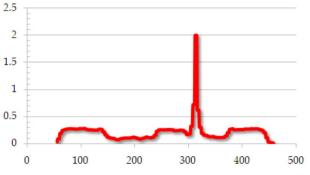
#### Narrow Beam vs Broad Beam





#### 20 Narrow Beam





Narrow Beam Technology provides a new RT with single high dose treatment and very low risk for early stage tumor

# Robotic Moving Phantom with Robotic Accelerator and RTRT with Flat Panels



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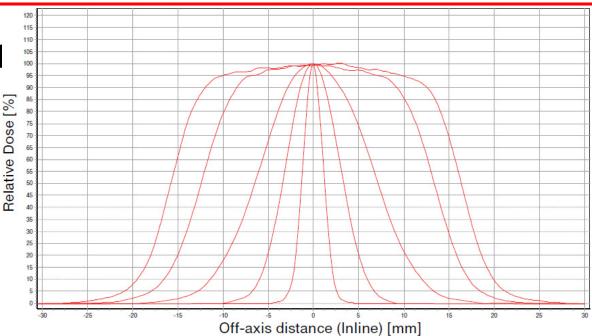


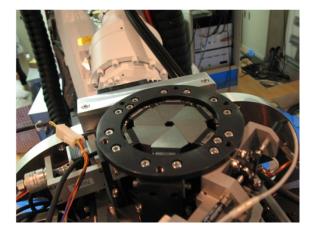
### **Dynamic Variable Collimator**

■Size: 1mmφ~3cmψ



**Built In Variable Collimator** 





Fine painting requires different brush sizes and shapes!!

# Electron Linear Accelerators for Industrial and Research Applications

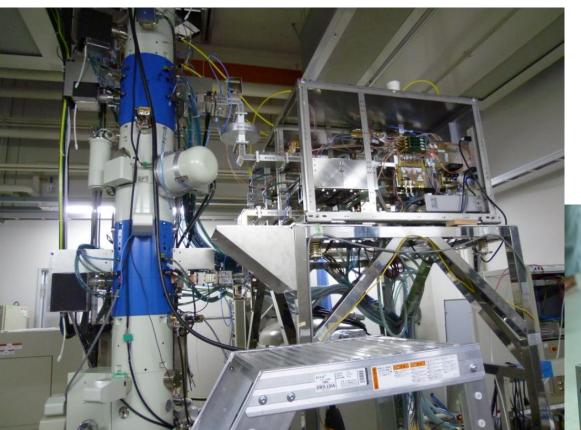
- Electron beam materials processing
- Electron beam irradiators
- Radioisotope production
- Electron Microscope
- Non destructive testing and Inspection
- Neutron generators
- Synchrotron radiation

# 50 MeV Synchrotron Injector System

Nagoya Synchrotron Research Center

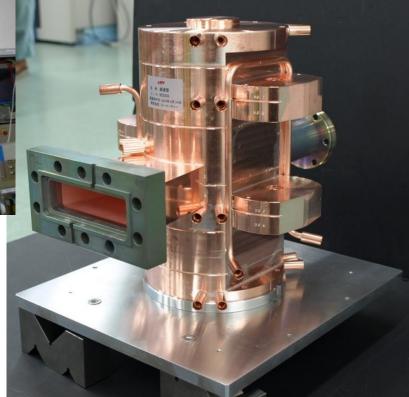
2856 MHz Traveling Wave Accelerators

## Microwave Electron Microscope

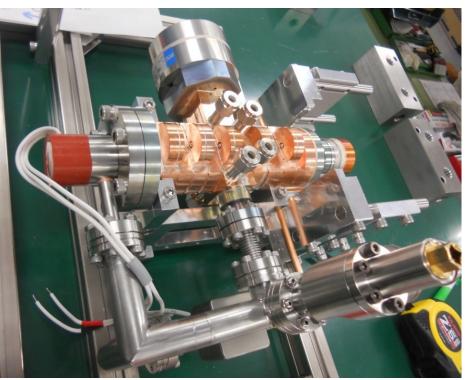




Compact 2450 MHz CW Linear Accelerator



#### 1 MeV Accelerator for NDT

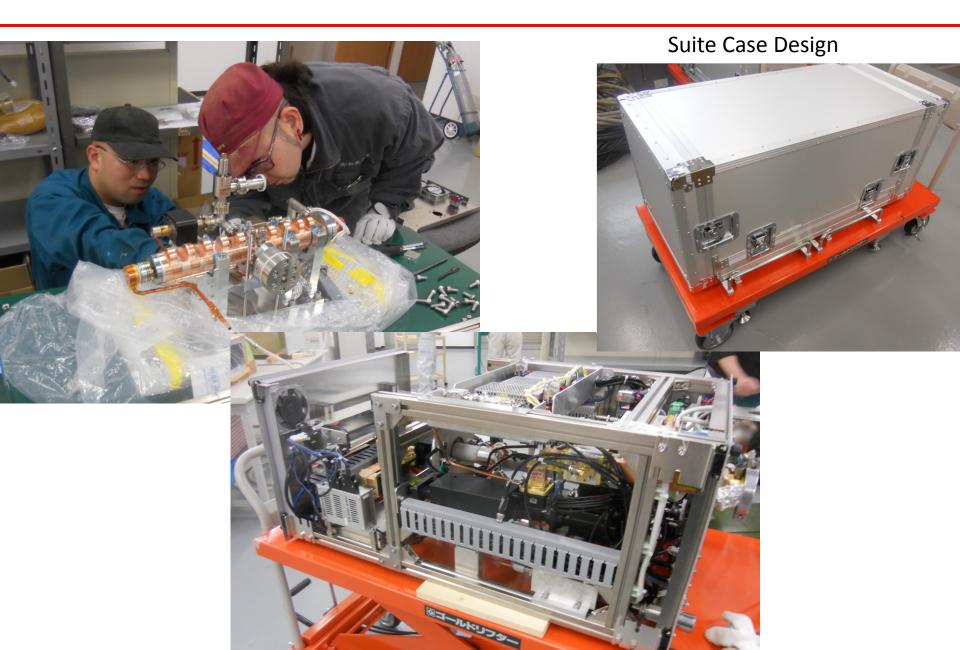


X-Band Standing Wave Accelerator ~15 cm

Accelerator Head ~35Kg including Collimator



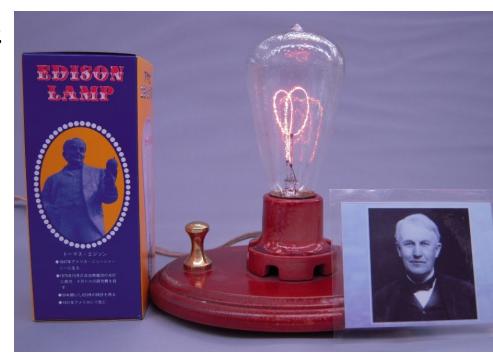
## 4 and 6MeV Accelerator for NDT



## Technological Innovation

Innovation involves the whole process from opportunity identification, invention to development, prototyping, production, marketing, sales and support

- Idea and Concept
- 2. Study Competitor, Cost, Market
- 3. IP and R and D
- 4. Business Plan
- 5. Fund Raise
- 6. Design and Manufacture
- 7. Testing and Verification
- 8. Packaging
- 9. Pricing and Sales
- 10. QA and QC
- 11. Support and Version Up



#### **SUMMARY**



- Advances in accelerator technology have significantly contributed to the world healthcare. Electron linear accelerators are key contributors to the success of radiation therapy and NDT.
- The medical community needs innovation in more effective treatment methods and technologies other than IMRT, stereotactic therapy, or interstitial radiation therapy.

# Let's "Think Different"

