

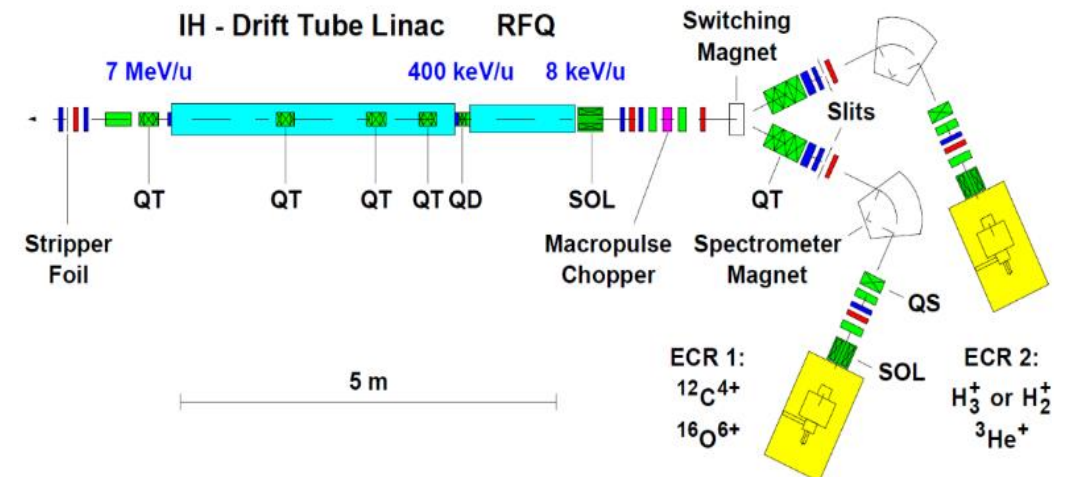
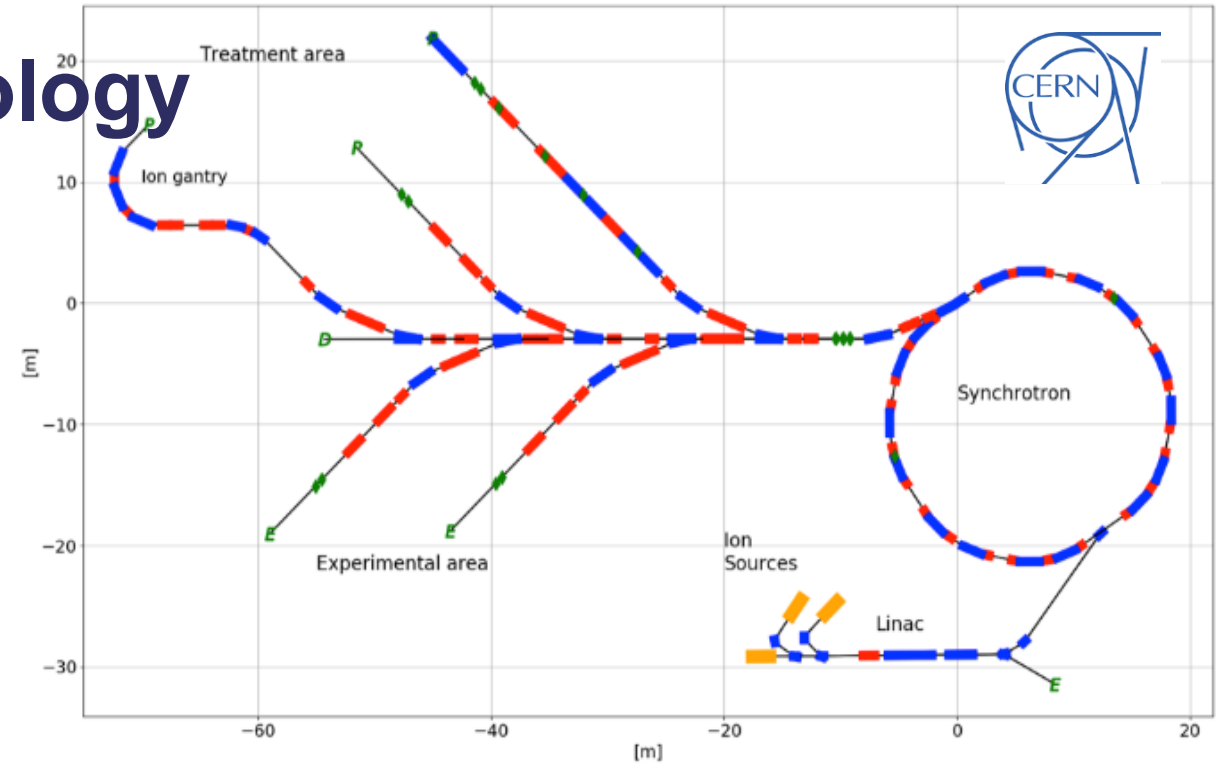
ITRF: WP3

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WP3 – Conventional Technology

- Conventional technology (e.g. synchrotron) is:
 - Proven
 - Already available at other facilities
- For costing and preparation, we need:
 - Parameters and layout
 - Understanding of the end station design
- Will use STFC staff to translate existing CERN designs on PIMMS and NIMMS
- STFC/CERN Framework Agreement signed; access to design information and collaboration
- Dedicated PhD student to work on beamline/end station (intending to start in Jan 2023)
- Will review linac as 3rd option



Adaptation of He Synchrotron

- (see Elena's talk and doi:10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-TUOZGD2)
- Will take He synchrotron design and scale to lower energy output
- Examine accelerator chain from injector to end station
- Utilise experience gained from Christie scanning station to explore options e.g. vertical/horizontal irradiation
- Comparison with WP1.5 design
- PhD student (Uni Manchester) will undertake beamline design, starting c. Jan 2023

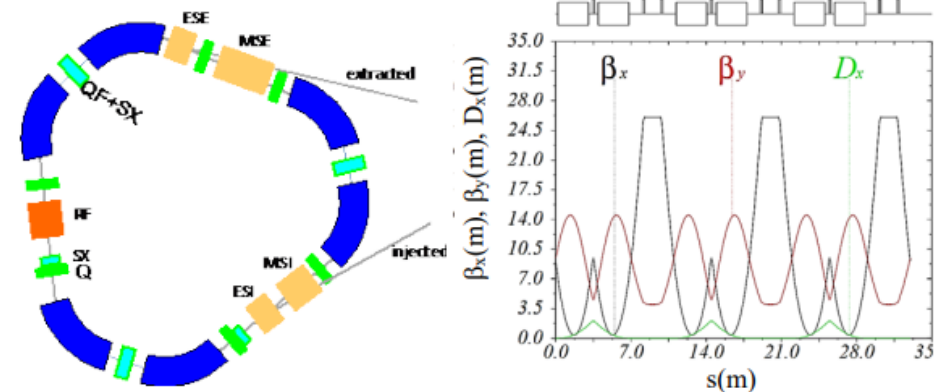
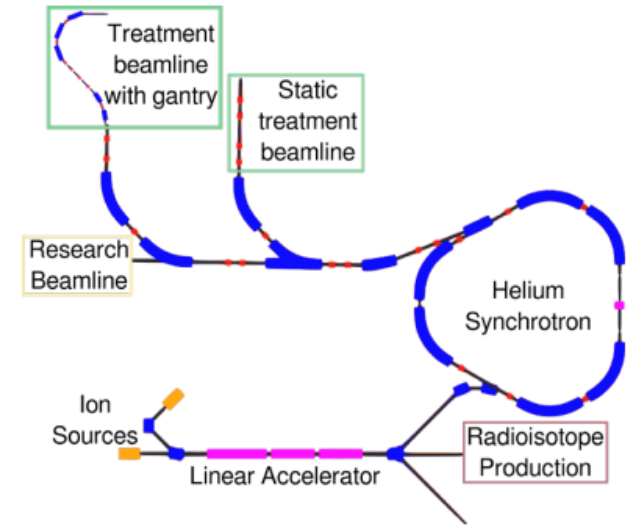
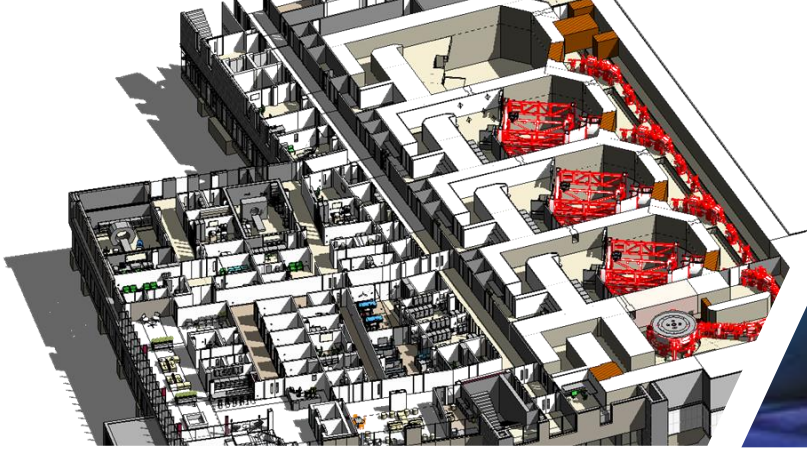


Figure 2: Sketch of the lattice layout and a preliminary optics, generated with MAD-X [8].



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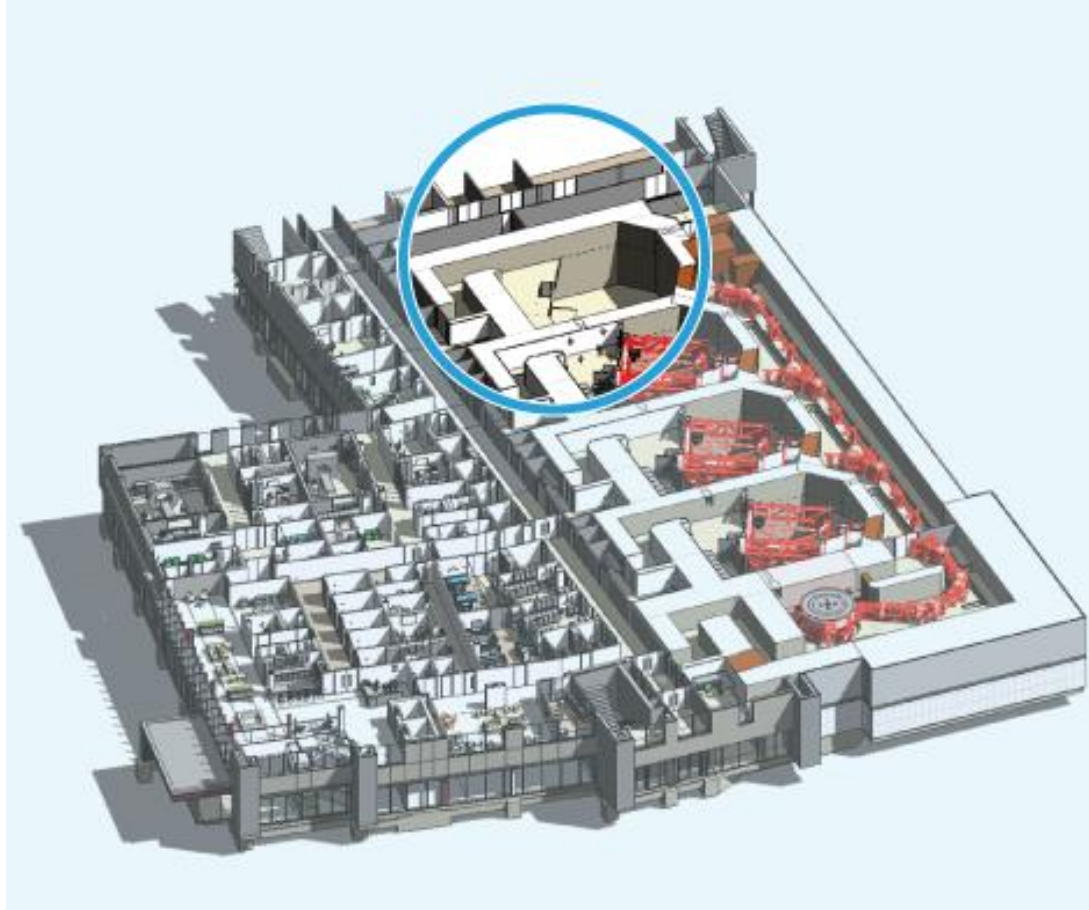
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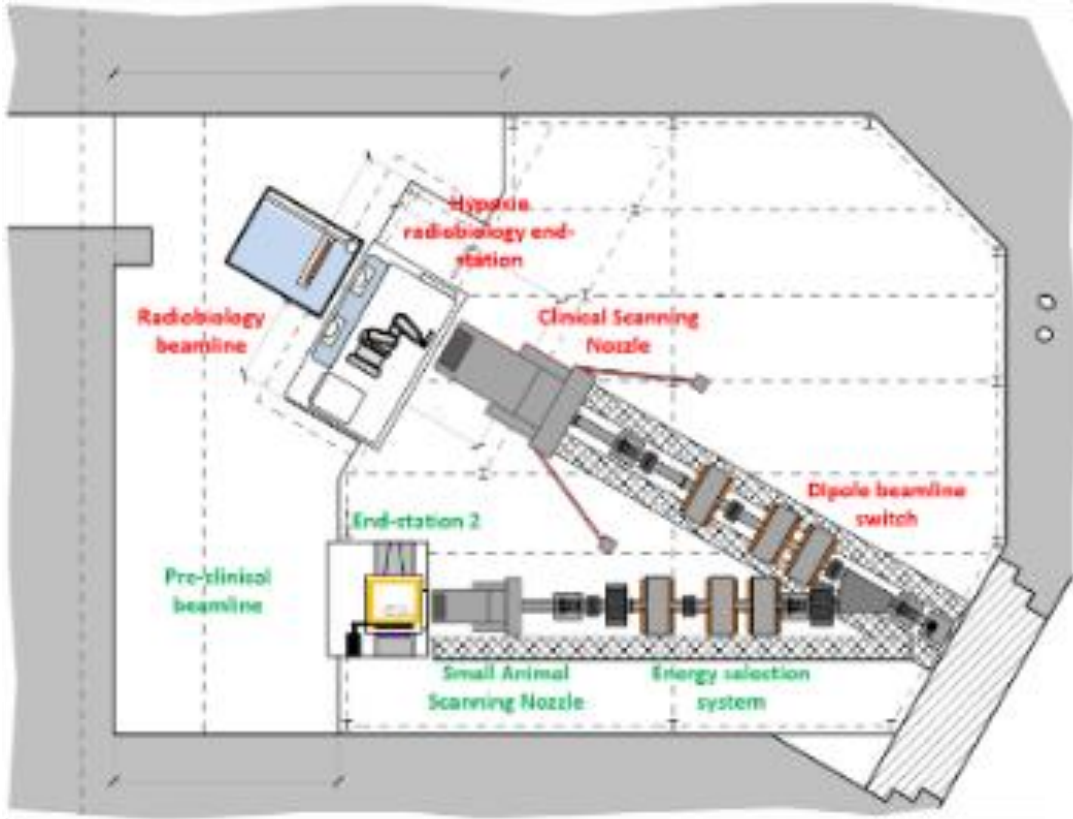
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PBT Research room: design



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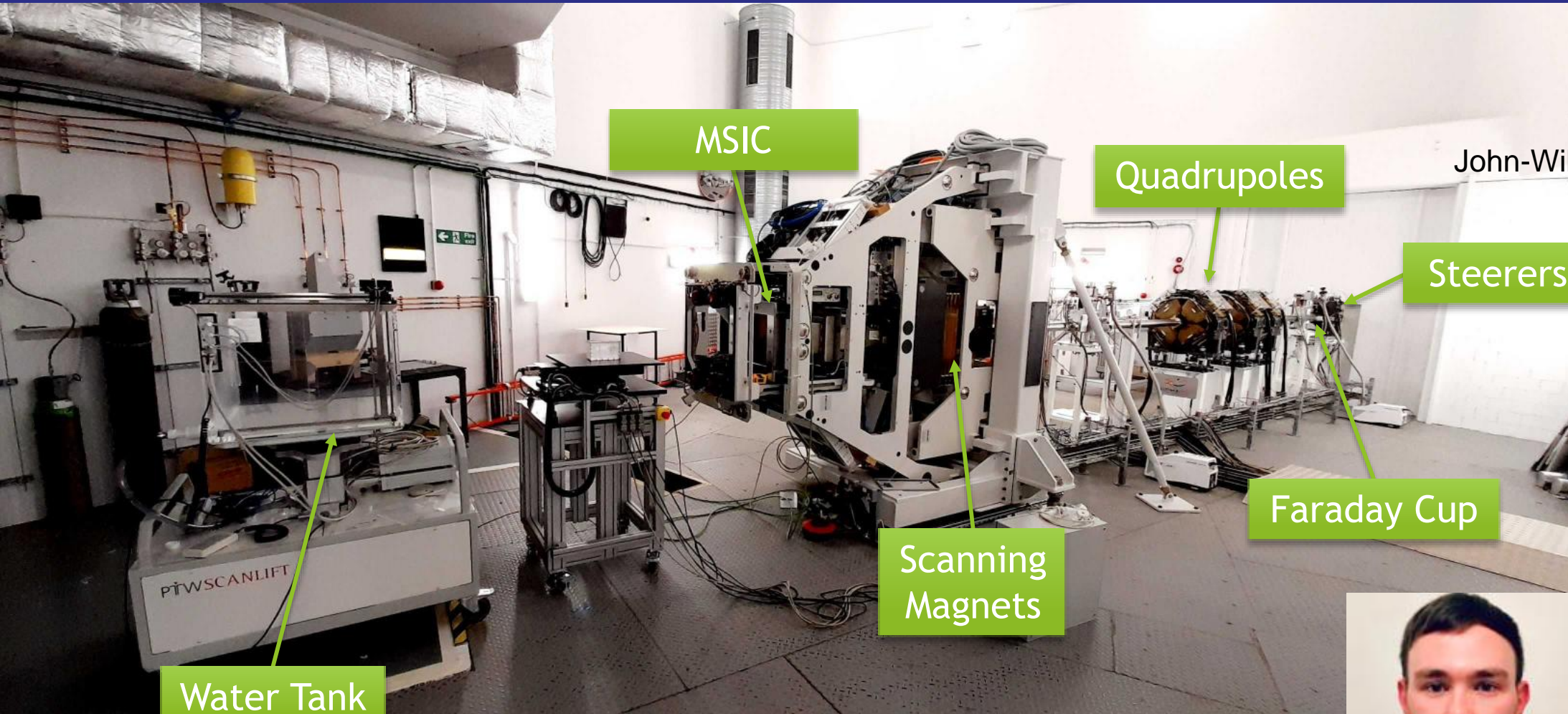
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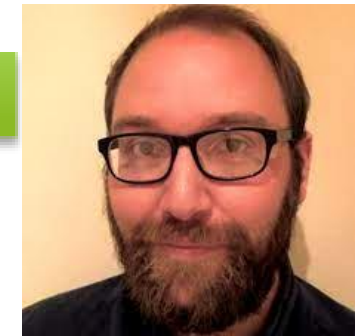
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- Flexible design
 - Floor
 - Water
 - Electricity
 - Earthing
- Radiation protection
 - Infrastructure
 - Beam lines
 - End Stations
 - Clinical nozzle

PBT Research room: Beamline A



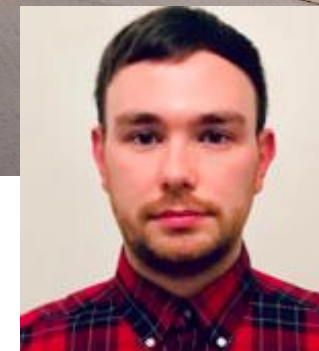
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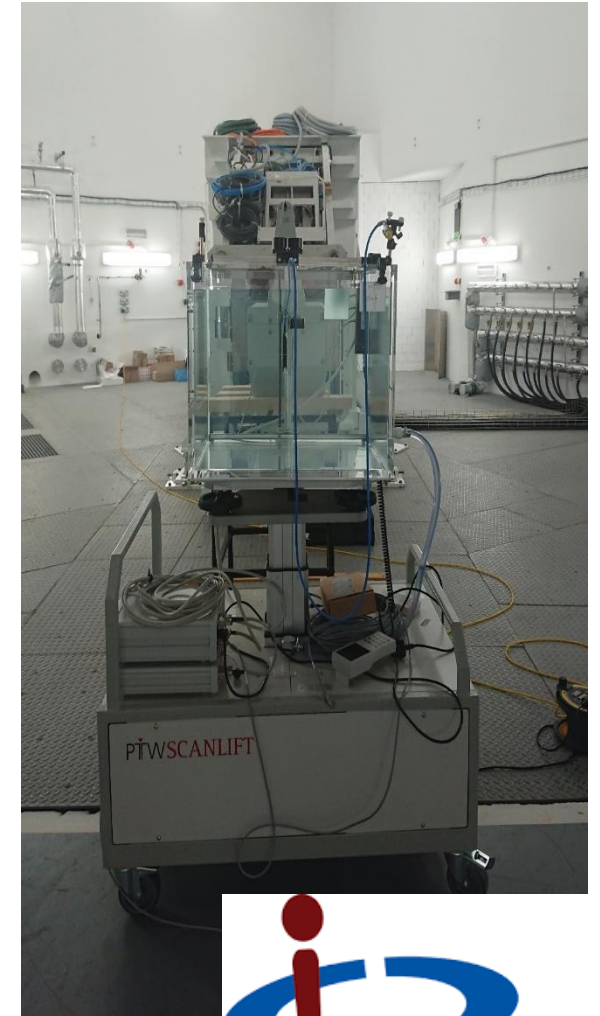


Sam Ingram



Sam Manger

PBT research room: beamline A



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End Stations: Hypoxia; high throughput end station



Environmental Control

- **O₂**: 0.1% - ambient
- **CO₂**: 0% - 20%
- **Temperature**: ambient +4°C - 45°C
- **Humidity**: ambient – 100%

Irradiation:

- 20 x 20 cm scanning area
- 6-axis robot: 30s between sample
- 36 sample hotel
- Automated liquid handling for 96-well plates
- Scattered dose to hotel at worst 1.27 mGy/Gy
- Conventional; FLASH

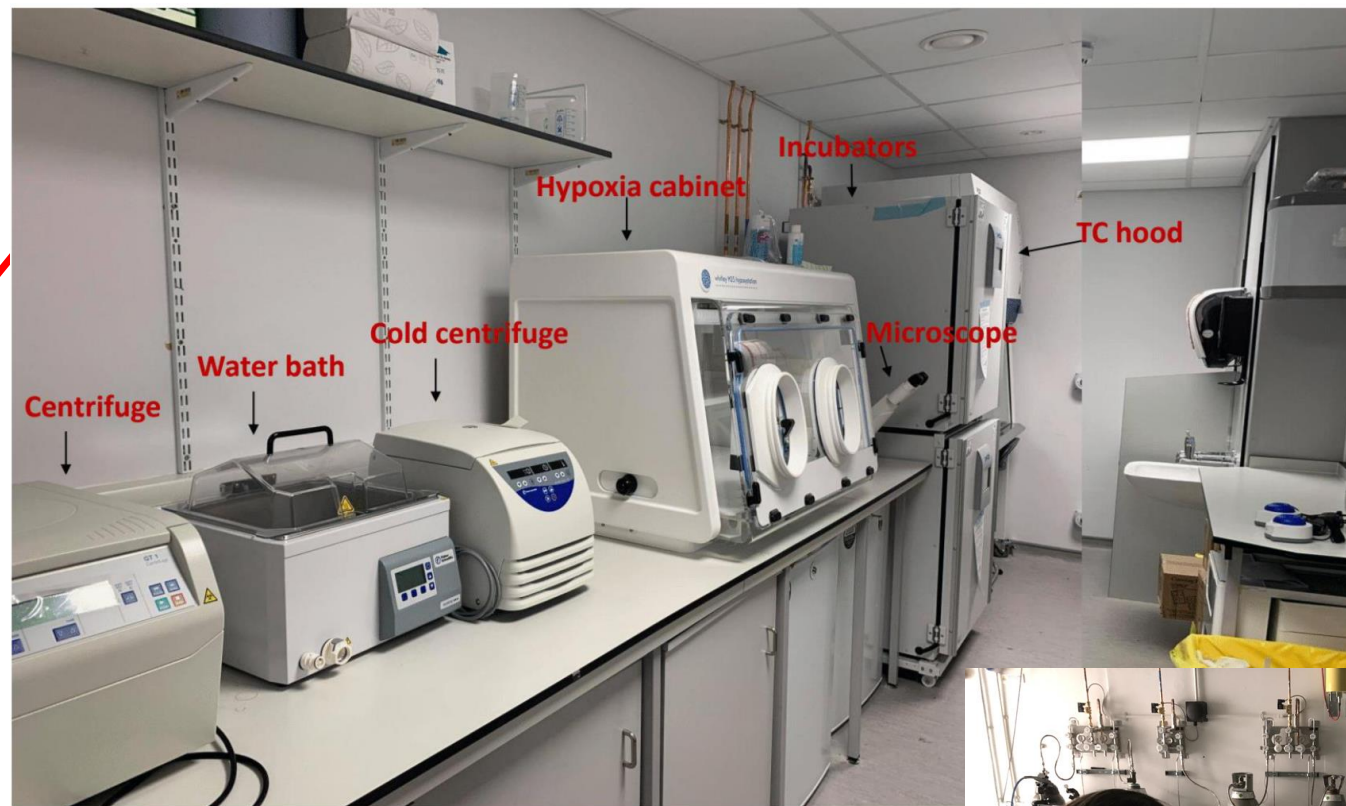
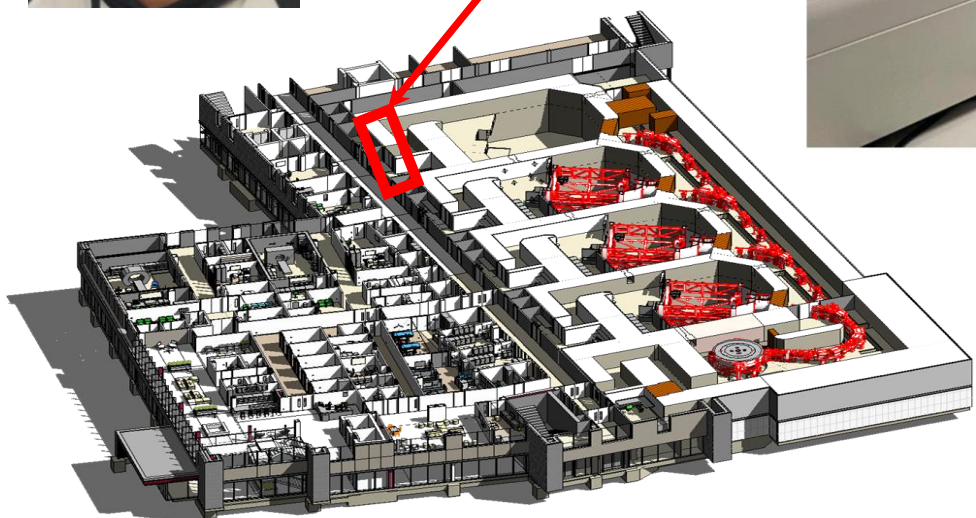
Example experiment:

- 56x Samples, 300 Gy delivered, 2 hours

PBT Research room: Bio Prep room: Build

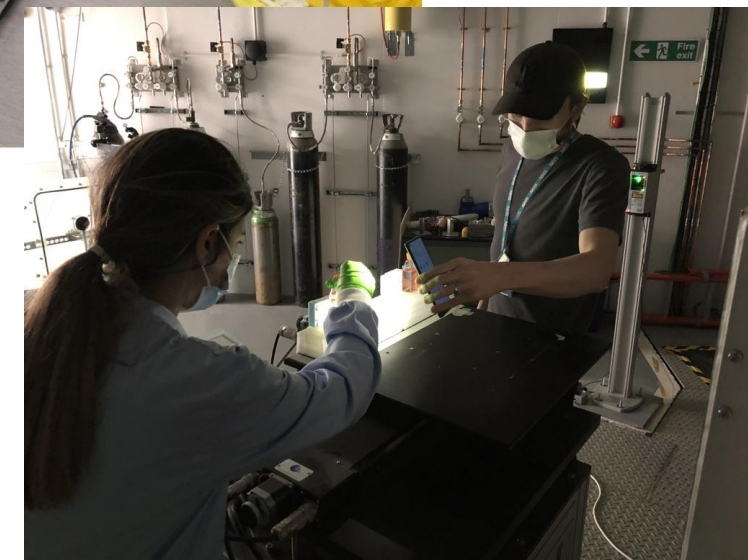


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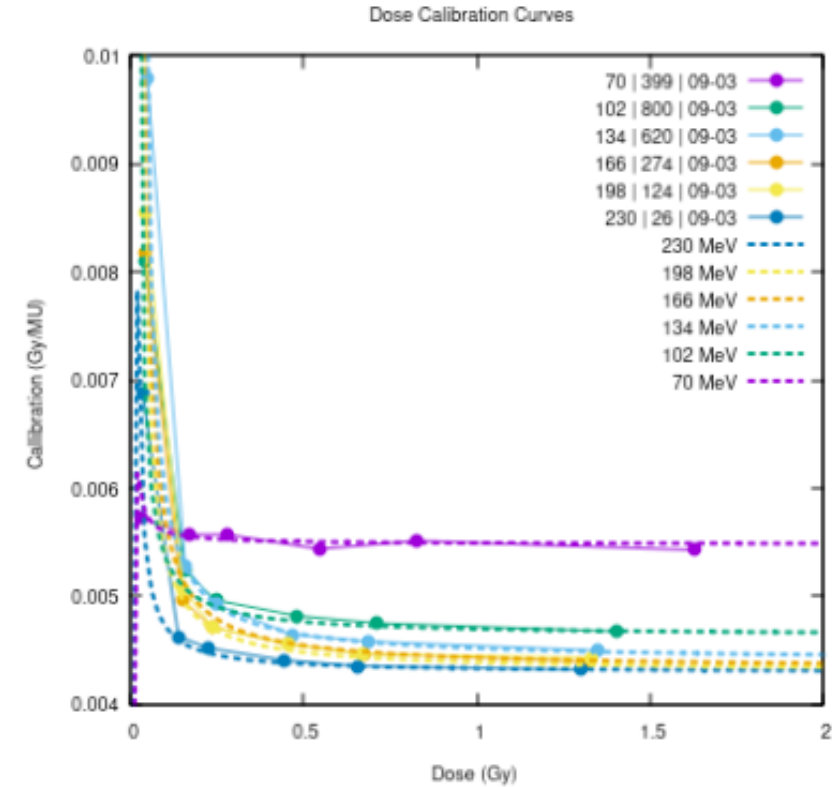
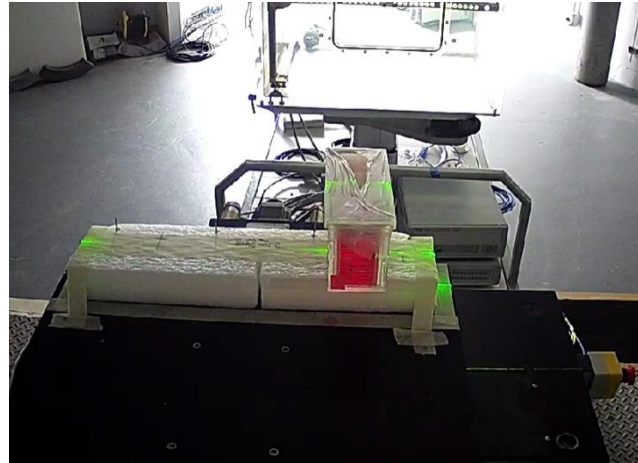
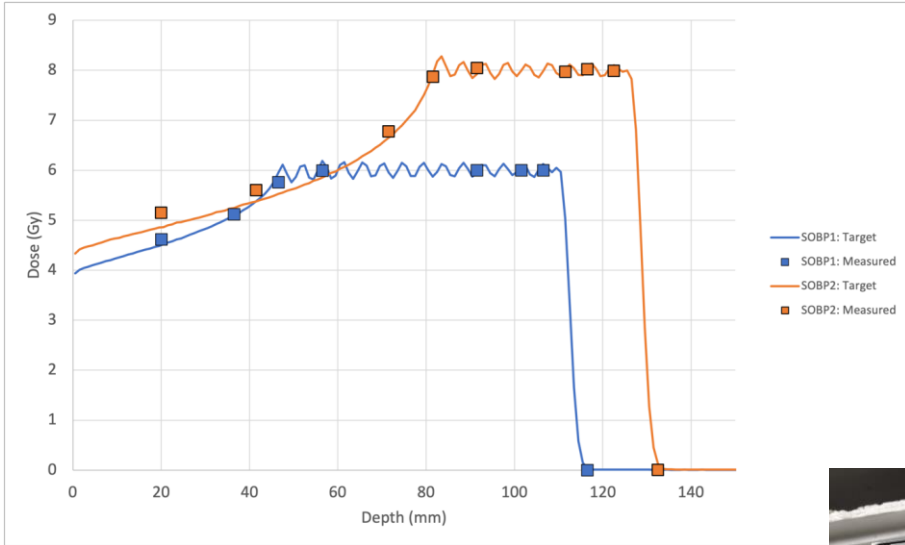
Live cell imaging system

EVOS m7000



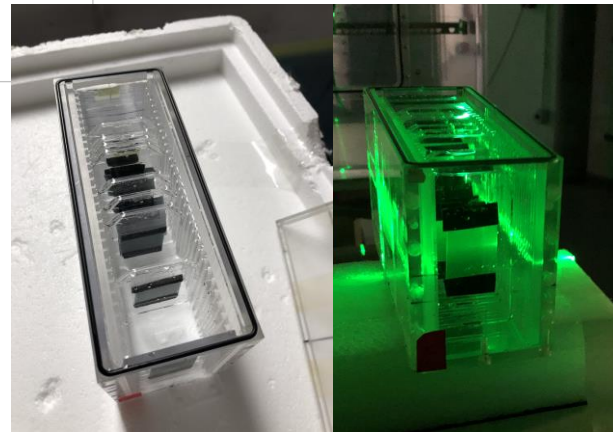
Commissioning, QA and dosimetry

- Accurate, reproducible Dosimetry



120 MeV | 800 nA

Target Dose (Gy)	Measured Dose (Gy)	StDev (Gy)
2.00	2.0074	0.0006
4.00	4.022	0.005
6.00	6.00	0.03
10.00	10.03	0.01



Ultra high dose rate FLASH

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A DAY IN THE LIFE....

“On the night of 25th February 2021 members of the University of Manchester PRECISE group and The Christie Medical Physics and Engineering set out to deliver the first Ultra-High Dose Rate (UHDR) proton beams into the Stoller Research Room of the Proton Beam Therapy Centre.....”

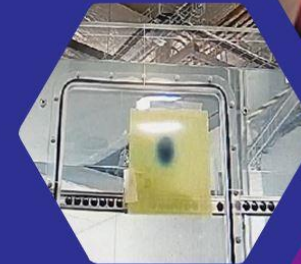
Jack Aylward,
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A Manchester bee drawn with the proton FLASH beam at the end of the night in the @Proton_Research research room 🐝 Thanks to Nick Henthorn, @mike_merchant, @ranmackay, @jackdaylward and @SamPIngram for work on FLASH these last two weeks 🐝



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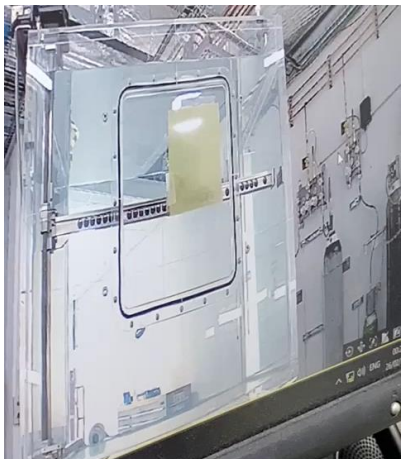


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Standard Operation (≤ 2 nA at nozzle)		
Energy (MeV)	Minimum Nozzle Current (nA)	Maximum Nozzle Current (nA)
70	0.0025	0.41
244	0.52	2.0
FLASH Operation		
Energy (MeV)	Maximum Nozzle Current (nA)	Dose Rate (Gy/s)
244	88	175

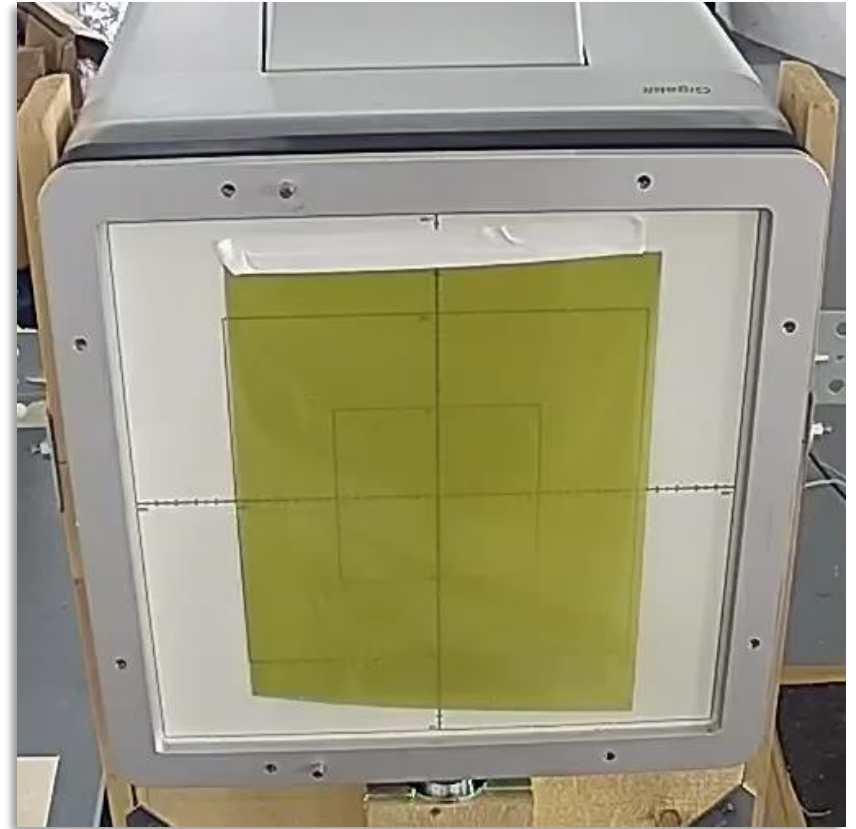


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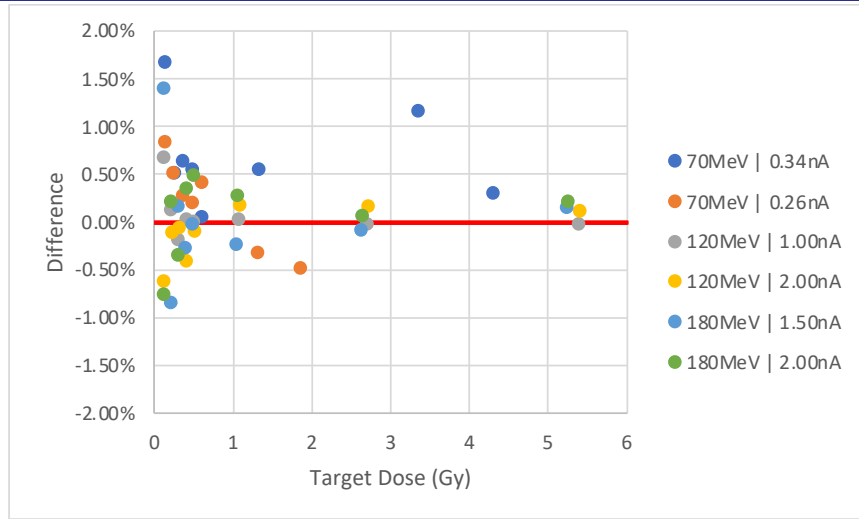
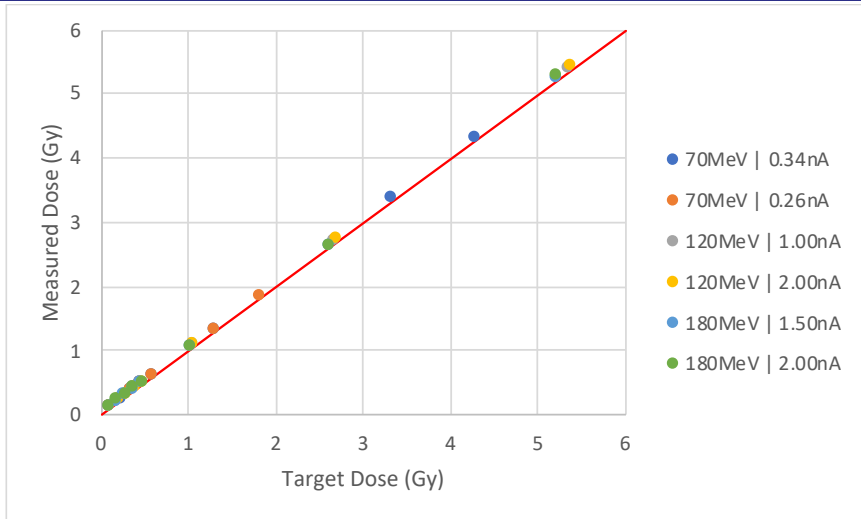
Conventional



FLASH



Beamline A – CONV & FLASH dosimetry

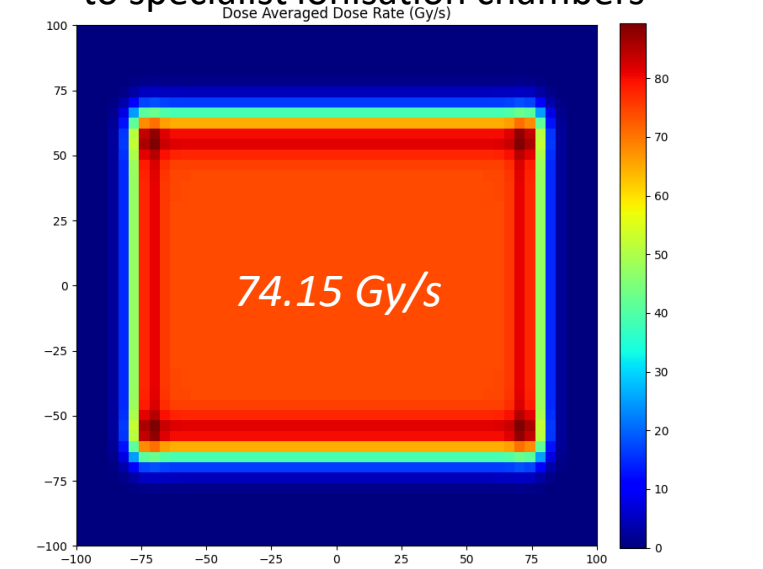
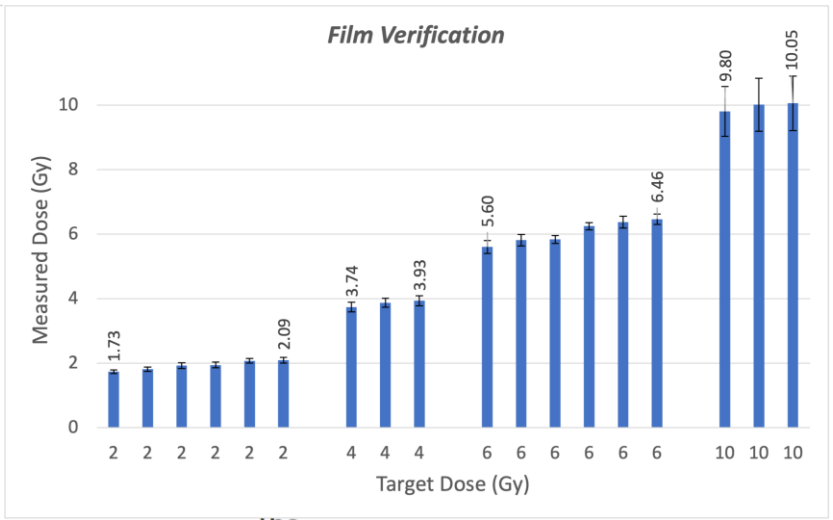
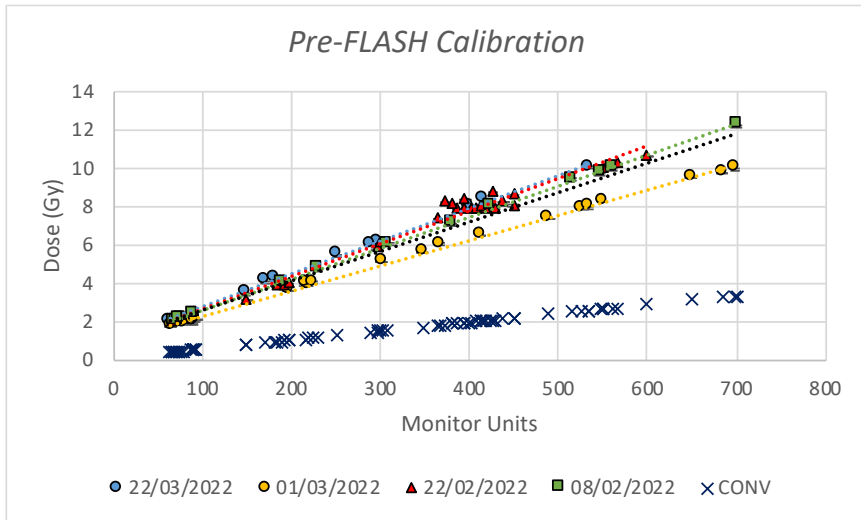


Conventional

- ≤ 2 Gy/min
- Comparable dose accuracy and reproducibility to clinical service

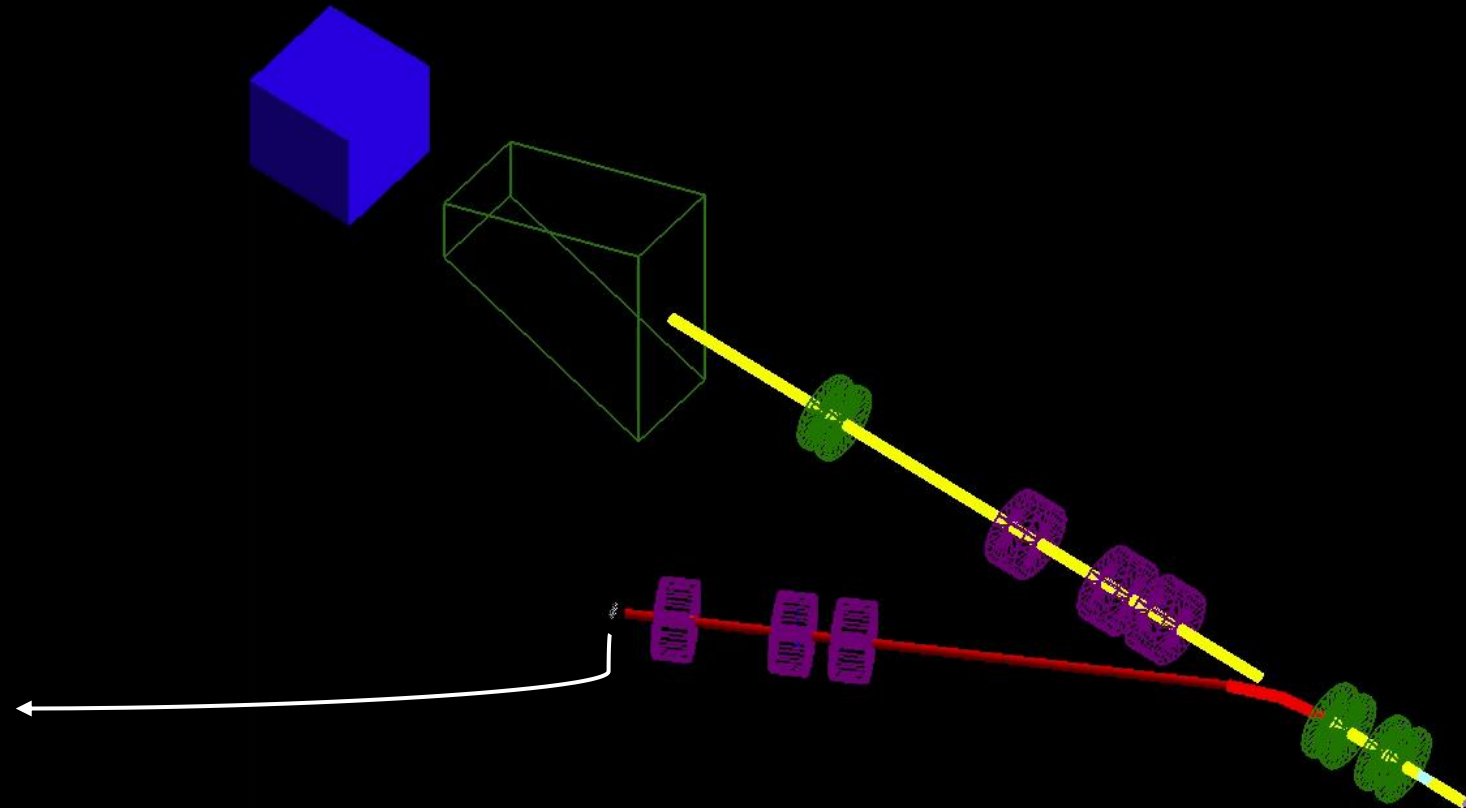
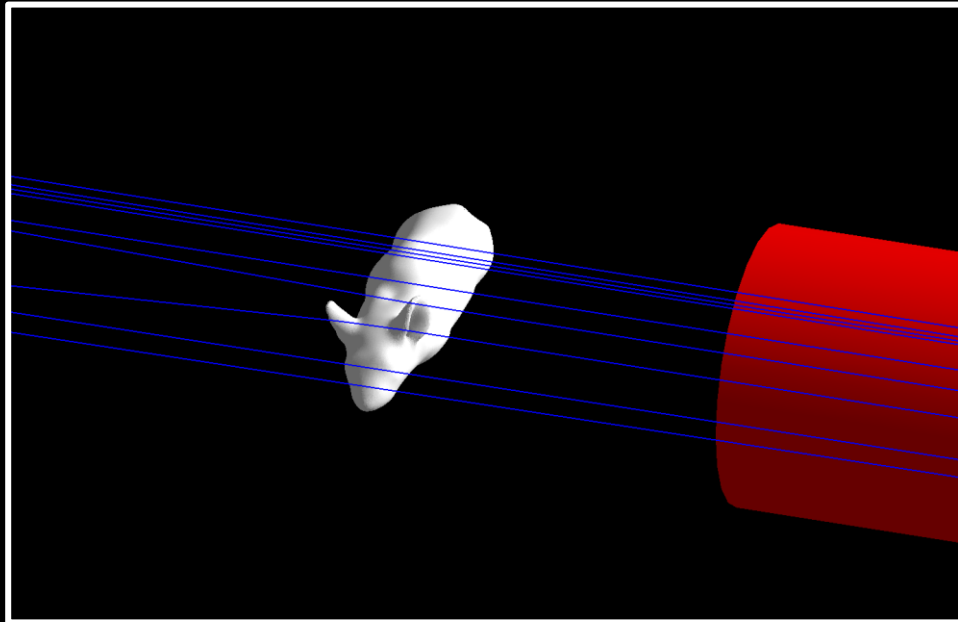
FLASH

- ≥ 40 Gy/s
- Increased dosimetric uncertainty compared to conventional (~5%)
- Competitive performance compared to specialist ionisation chambers



Beamline B – Developing a preclinical beamline

- Monte Carlo model of pre-clinical beamline
- Optimising beamline layout and components
- Investigating beam optics and potential capabilities



Pre-clinical Beamline End-station Automation

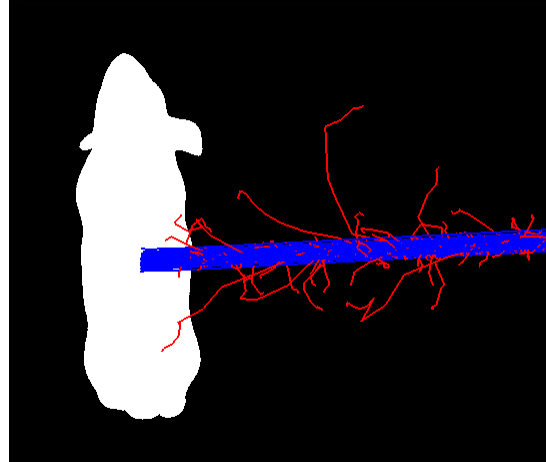
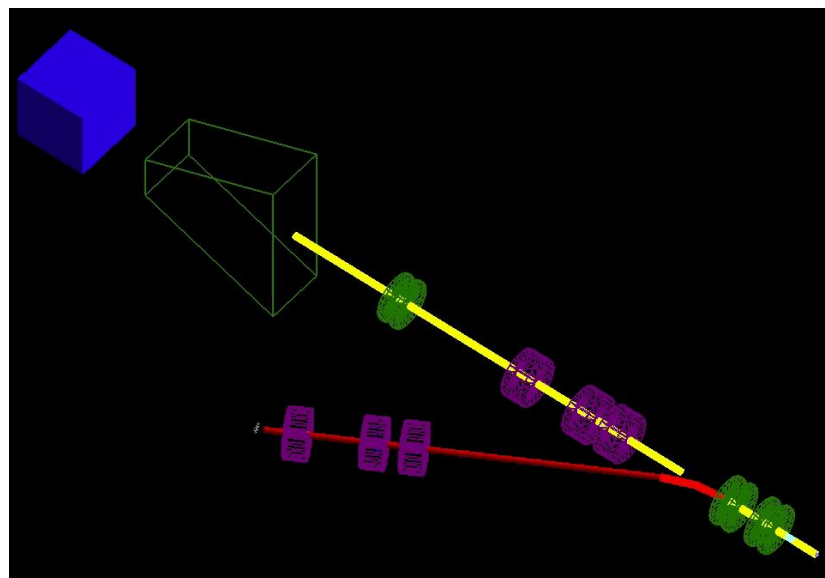
Pre-clinical Beamline

- 1 mm σ spot, 3 cm x 3 cm scanning area
- Flash capable (Bragg peak) [1 MeV – 65 MeV]
- Working with Cockcroft Institute (Prof R Appleby)

Investigating automation solutions.

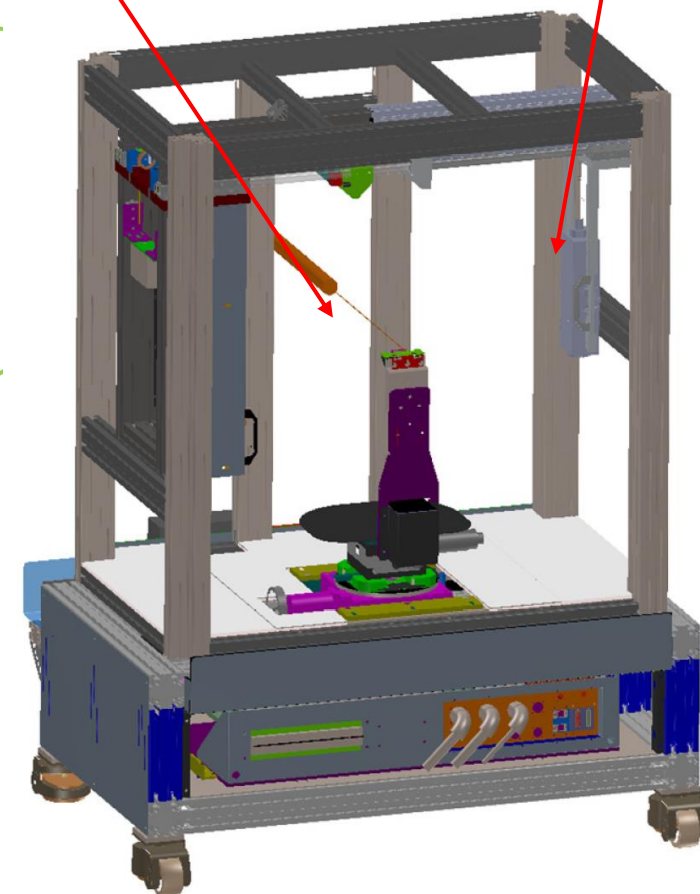
High throughput and high repeatability are central to design philosophy.

Working with XStrahl



Proton nozzle

Microfocus X-ray imaging



XStrahl SARRP
Proton Platform

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Conclusions

- A group of amazing people have built a research room in a clinical proton facility
- Will work with CERN and Daresbury Labs to use this expertise in ITRF
- Truly Multidisciplinary

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