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Accelerators for Hadrontherapy and the Role of Industry



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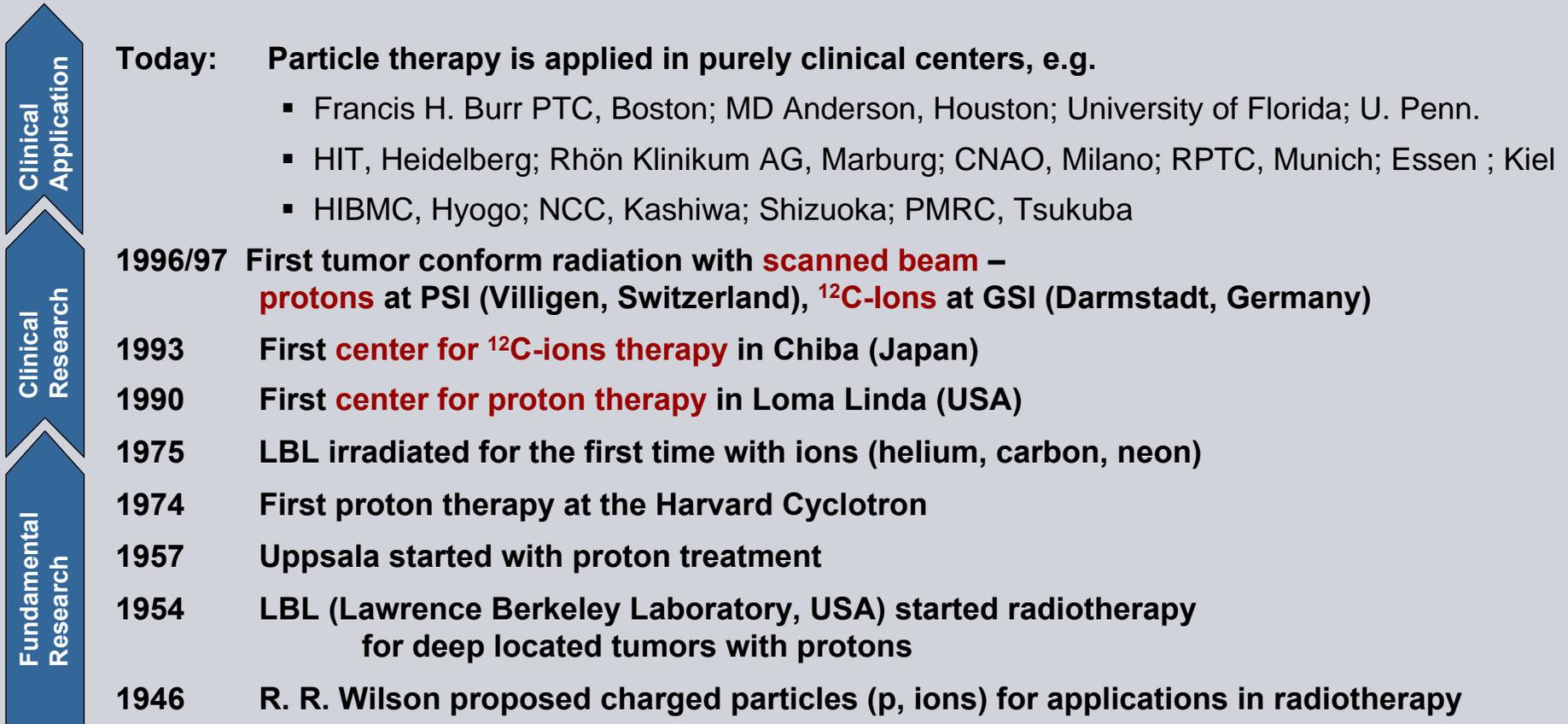
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Evolution and Market

History of Radiation Therapy with Ions

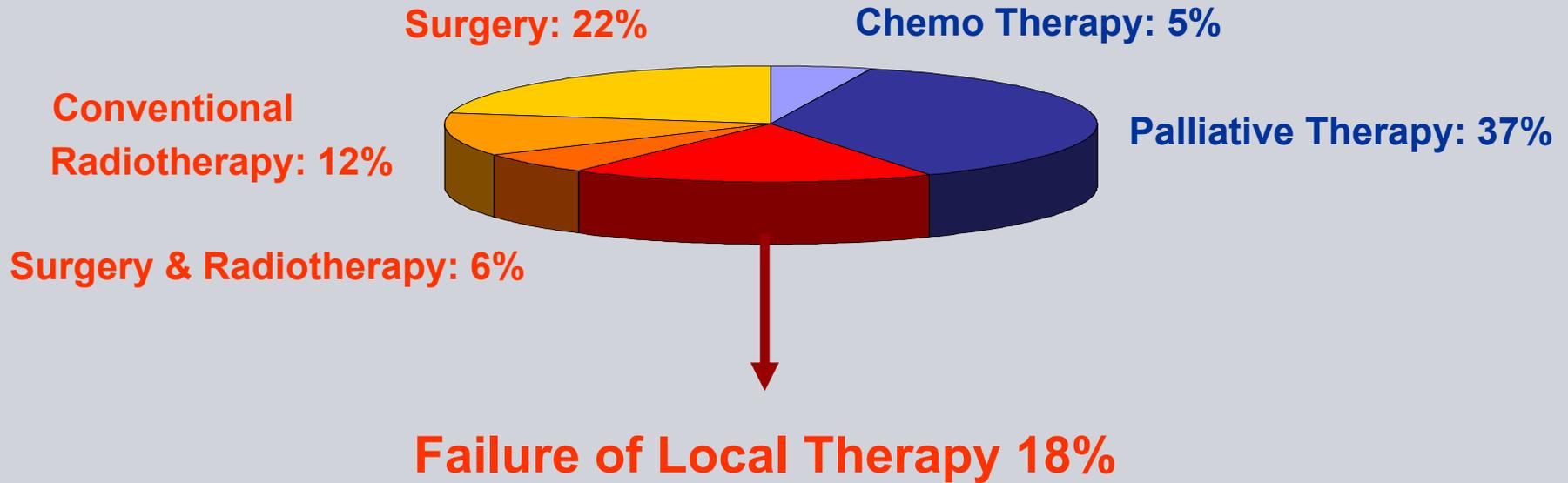


Evolution and Market

What are the Treatment Options?

Localized Tumors: 58%

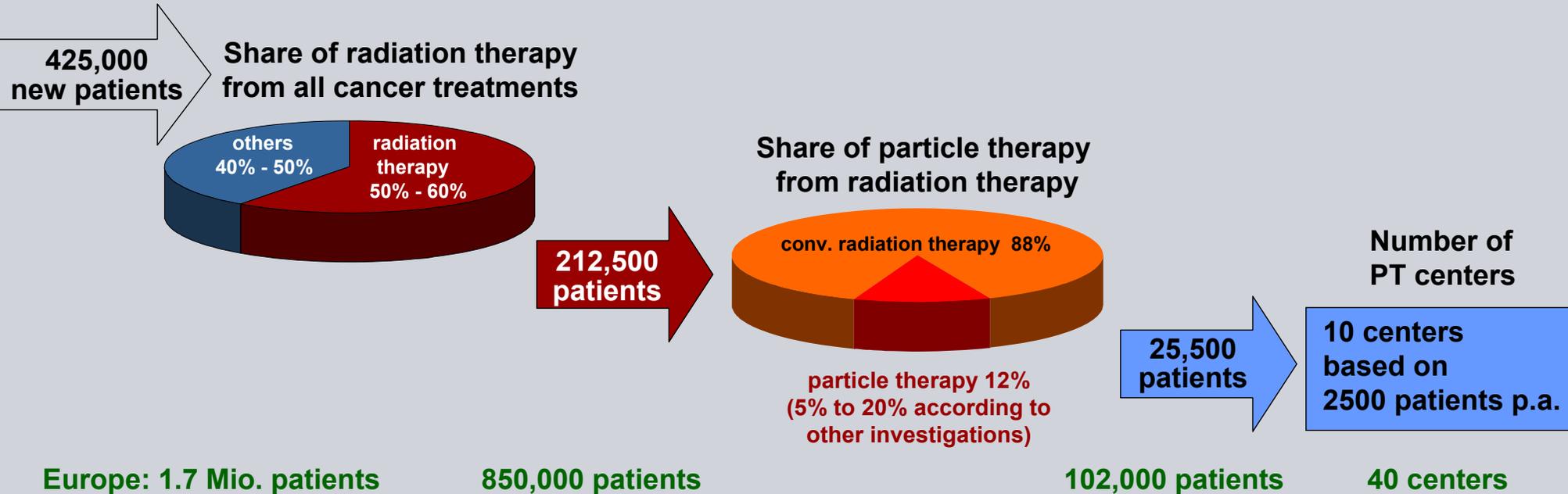
Metastazised Tumors: 42%



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Estimation of Patient Numbers and PT Centers

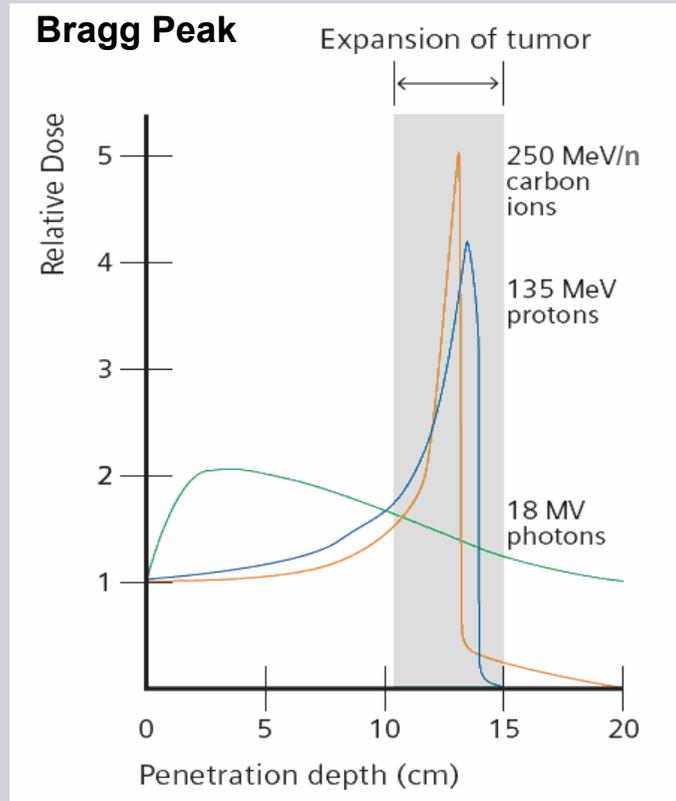
Germany:
New cancer patients p.a.



⇒ About 1 particle therapy center per 10 million inhabitants

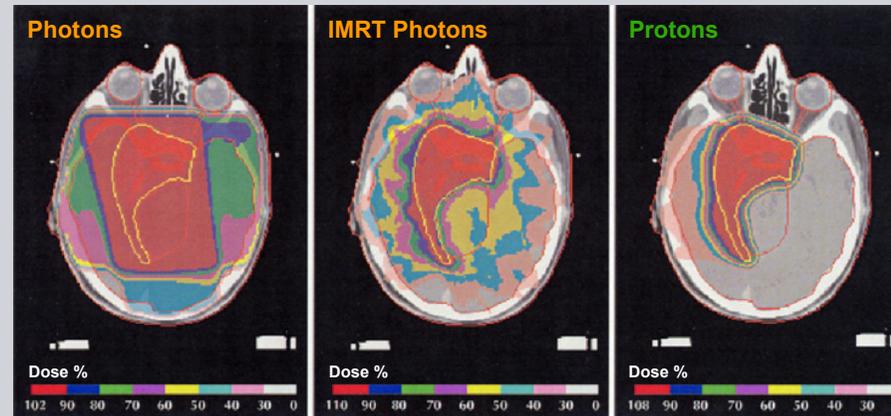
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Reported Common Properties of Protons and Carbon Ions



Objectives:

- Increase of conformity and reduction of integral dose (less interactions with normal tissue, higher quality of life after successful treatment)
- Improve local control rate (less recurrent tumors)
- Higher survival rate



Courtesy of A. Lomax, Paul Scherer Institut, Villigen, Switzerland, - Data on file

Applications

Reported Clinical Consequences of Protons and Carbon Ions

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Higher target conformity due to **physics properties** of p and ^{12}C (active scanning as precondition)

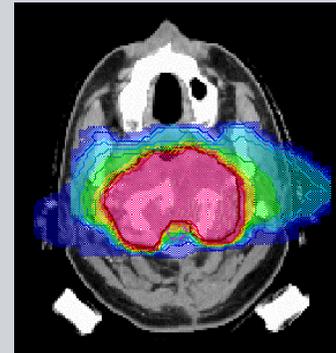
- High dose in tumor volume due to inverse dose profile
- Less scattering for ^{12}C
- Reduced dose in organs at risk and healthy tissue

New applications thanks to the **biological characteristics** of ^{12}C

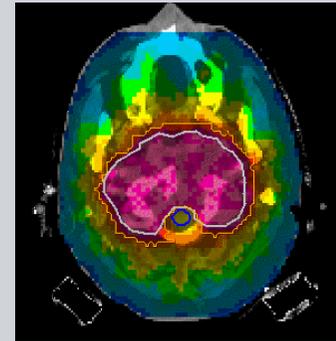
- Radiation resistant tumors
- Slow growing tumors
- Hypoxic tumors

Clinical results

- Low toxicity – low integral dose (p and ^{12}C)
- Higher tumor control rates, especially for the aforesaid tumors (^{12}C)
- Reduction of fractionation scheme possible (^{12}C)



Carbon ions (2 beams)



IMRT (9 beams)

Courtesy of the University Hospital, Heidelberg and GSI, Darmstadt

Applications

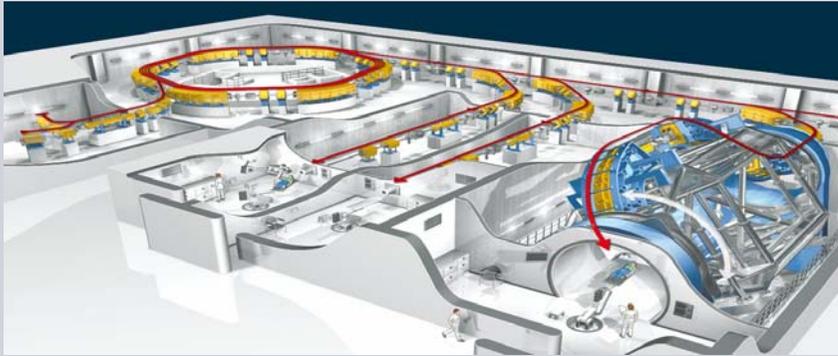
How does the Clinical Application Impact the Technical Realization?

Requirements of a medical operator	Technical Realization
Best target conformity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Scanning▪ Active energy selection▪ Avoid scattering
Short treatment times	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ High intensity in accelerator, short accelerator cycle times
High beam availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Fast switching between rooms and ion species▪ No field-specific beam modifiers▪ High system (accelerator) uptime
Techniques to treat moving organs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Gating▪ Tracking (research)▪ Multi painting (research)

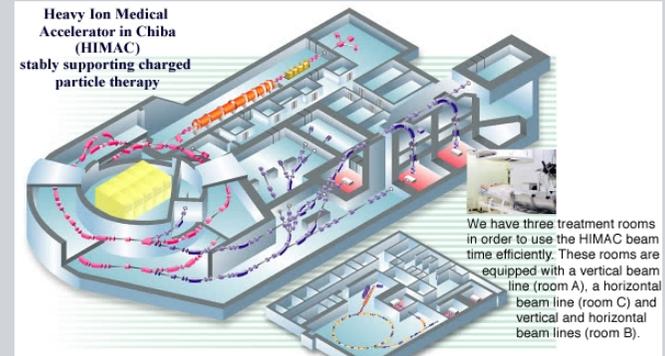
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Know How Transfer – from Research to Healthcare

Examples of Research Collaborations



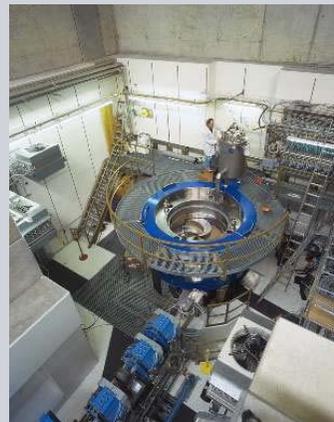
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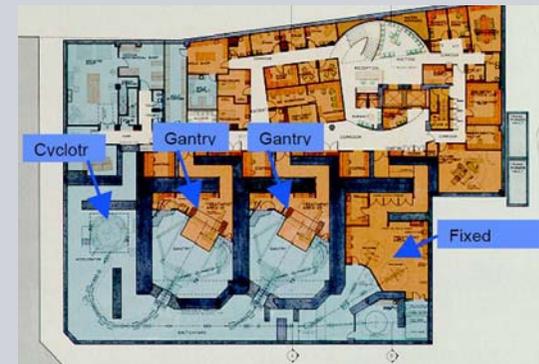
NIRS Chiba, Japan / Mitsubishi, Hitachi, Sumitomo



MD Anderson Houston, USA / Hitachi



PSI Villigen, Switzerland / Varian-Accel



MGH Boston, USA / IBA

Know How Transfer – from Research to Healthcare

Example: Accelerator Design from GSI to Siemens AG/Danfysik

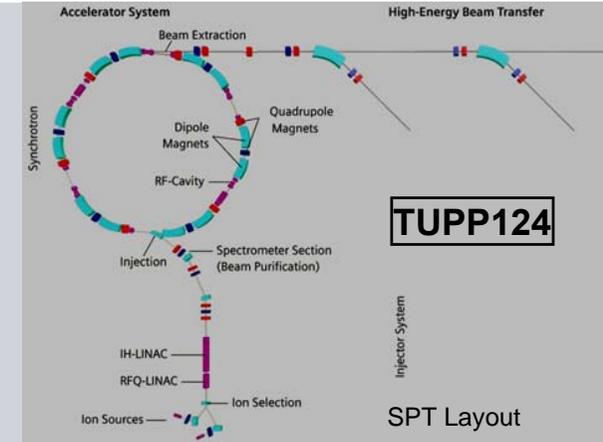
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The HICAT (GSI) accelerator design has been revised

- to reduce construction and operating costs
- to improve technical capabilities
- cooperation of Danfysik / GSI / Siemens

Design changes in the Synchrotron layout

- Fully symmetric lattice
- Lattice type changed from Doublet to FODO → reduction of quadrupole gradient by 30%, smaller β functions, smoother lattice, reduced dispersion function, larger acceptance
- 12 dipoles (each 8 tons) instead of 6 (each 25 tons) → easier installation and handling
- Smaller and lighter quadrupoles
- Optimized injection and extraction system
- Improved in terms of power consumption



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Standardization of components

- E.g. Standardization of dipoles and quadrupoles, power supplies
→ reduction in construction costs, advantages in terms of serviceability.

Service and maintenance concept

- IT Support (Service Software, Service workflow,...)
- Optimized spare part storage
- Condition based maintenance concept (**trending, collection of process data**) → high uptime



Courtesy of the University Hospital of Heidelberg, Germany

From Research/Industry to Healthcare

What distinguishes a Medical Device from an Industrial Product?

- Apply highest Standards for safety and the security for the patient**
- Establish a safety concept for the entire system including the accelerator system.**
- Implement adequate interlock and spill-abort systems.**
- Follow applicable medical standards, rules and regulations**

Target values

- Dose uniformity within $\pm 3\%$
- Lateral position precision of ± 0.5 mm
- Positioning precision of Bragg-peak: ± 0.3 mm

Example for safety measures:

Beam Application and Monitoring System (BAMS)

- Intensity verification (redundant)
- Lateral Position verification (redundant)
- Feed-back loop to achieve high precision and accuracy of beam application

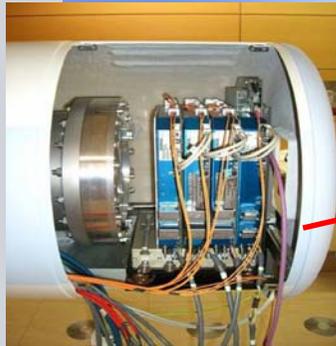
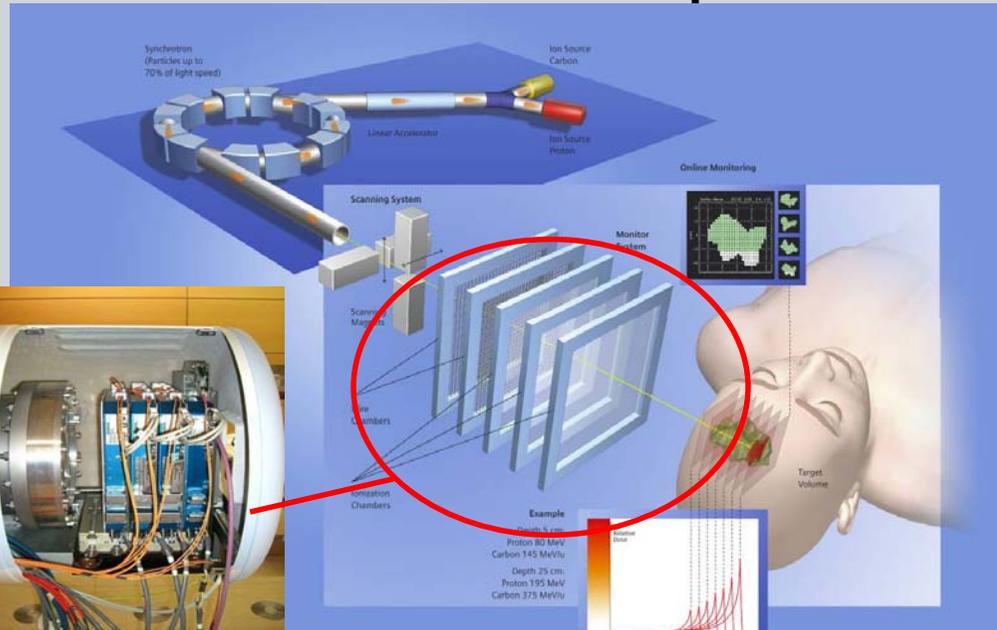


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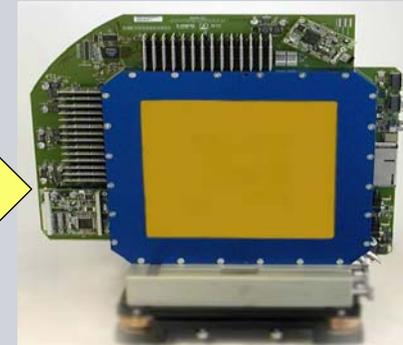
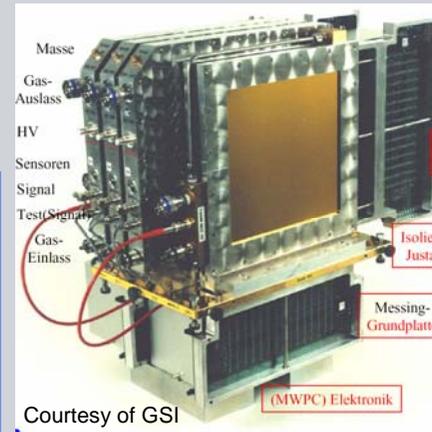
Example: Beam Application and Monitoring System (BAMS)

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Based on GSI concept a detector system with highly integrated readout electronics has been developed



Beam Application and Monitoring System (BAMS)



- Detector concept using ICs and MWPCs
- Fast dose & position measurement cycle
- High dynamic range :
 - $10^6 - 10^{10}$ particles / s
 - 50 MeV (p) – 430 MeV/u (C)
- Integrated readout electronics reusing existing hardware of other Siemens healthcare modalities

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Market Players & Collaborations

What is the Background of the Market Players?

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Particle Therapy	Background	Radiation Therapy
IBA	Accelerator	Elekta (Cooperation)
Hitachi	Accelerator and Heavy Industry	-
Mitsubishi	Accelerator and Heavy Industry	-
Optivus	Operating of one PT Center (Loma Linda)	-
Siemens	Healthcare and Accelerator / Danfysik	Siemens
Sumitomo	Accelerator and Heavy Industry	-
Stillriver	Startup	-
Varian	Radiation Oncology and Accelerator / Accel	Varian
-	-	Accuray
-	-	Tomotherapy

Evolution and Market

From *Research* to *Clinical Routine*



Today: Particle therapy is applied in purely clinical centers, e.g.

- Francis H. Burr PTC, Boston; MD Anderson, Houston; University of Florida; U. Penn.
- HIT, Heidelberg; Rhön Klinikum AG, Marburg; CNAO, Milano; RPTC, Munich; Essen ; Kiel
- HIBMC, Hyogo; NCC, Kashiwa; Shizuoka; PMRC, Tsukuba

1996/97 First tumor conform radiation with scanned beam – protons at PSI (Villigen, Switzerland), ¹²C-Ions at GSI (Darmstadt, Germany)

1993 First center for ¹²C-ions therapy in Chiba (Japan)

1990 First center for proton therapy in Loma Linda (USA)

1975 LBL irradiated for the first time with ions (helium, carbon, neon)

1974 First proton therapy at the Harvard Cyclotron

1957 Uppsala started with proton treatment

1954 LBL (Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, USA) started radiotherapy for deep located tumors with protons

1946 R. R. Wilson proposed charged particles (p, ions) for applications in radiotherapy

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Main R&D Topics

*What are the typical topics for **industry**?*

- **Optimize cost and increase standardization**
- **Optimize integration into medical workflow**
- **Secure high uptime and technical operating as a long-term commitment over 20-25 years**
- **Provide financing models like Public Private Partnership (e.g. Kiel and Essen)**

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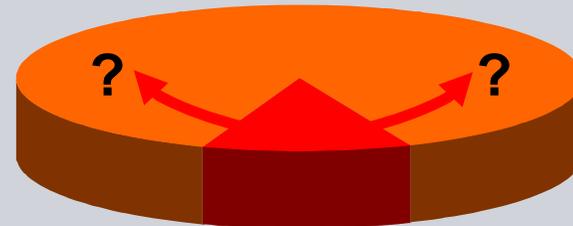
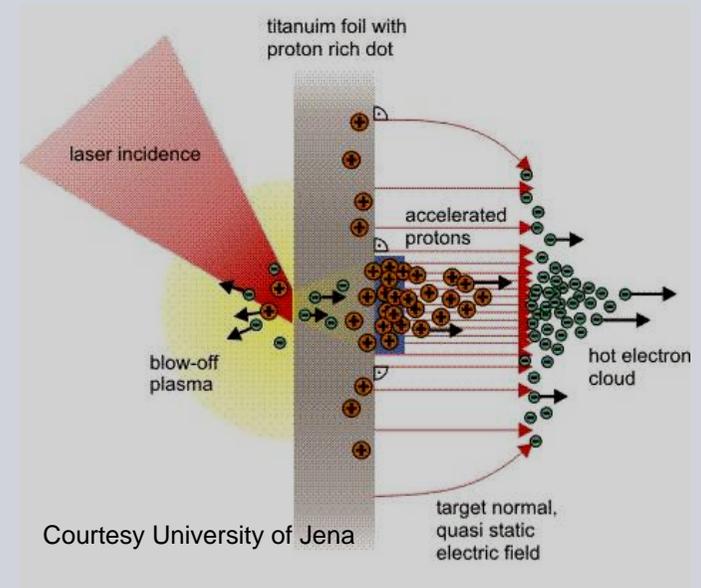
What topics will remain with Universities and Research Centers?

- **New Principles for Particle Accelerators**
 - Laser Accelerated Particle Beams
 - Dielectric Wall Accelerators

- **Radiation Biology**
 - Radiobiological Models
 - Verification of Models

- **New Clinical Applications**
 - Moving Targets
 - Image Guidance
 - Hypofractionation

- **Clinical Studies**
 - Protocols for new cancer indications



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