•Verify coincidence of imaging and treatment isocenters

•Verify IGRT software correctly shifts

•Avoid need to send phantoms by using materials available in all institutions

IGRT Benchmark

Draft Proposal

Create a phantom using solid water and marker BBs



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Place a solid water slab with an ion chamber air cavity ~5cm depth. Place a BB 2 cm superior and one 2 cm inferior of the air cavity.

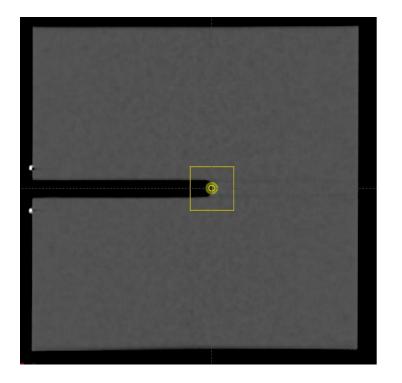


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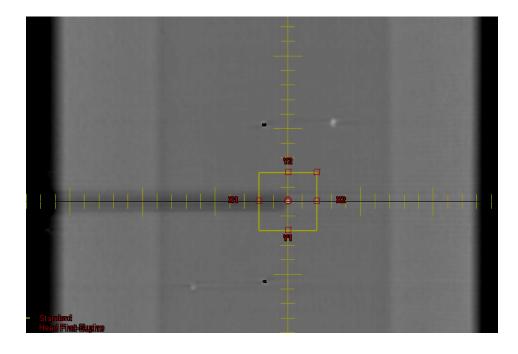
On the top slab place two BBs, one 5 cm superior and one 5 cm inferior of the center.





CT scan the phantom and transfer to the planning system

Create a 4cm x 4cm "AP" field with the isocenter at the tip of the air cavity

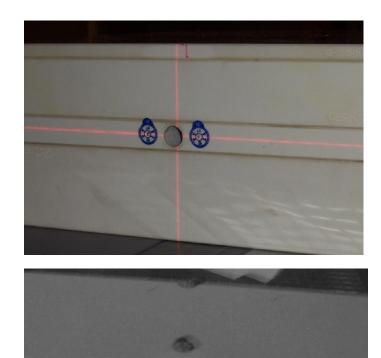


BEV DRR of 4x4 field showing BBs and air cavity

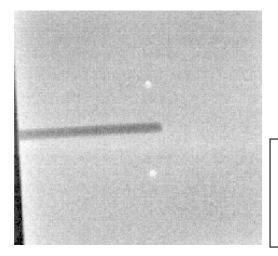
Transfer the plan to the IGRT treatment machine

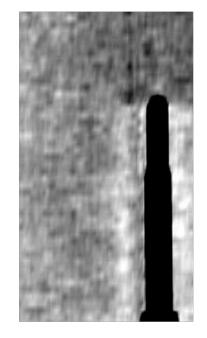
Take the phantom to the treatment room.

Set the height to the center of the air cavity and align the phantom so that the 4cm X 4cm field is approximately centered between the 2 BBs on the top slab.



Obtain an image of the phantom using the IGRT system





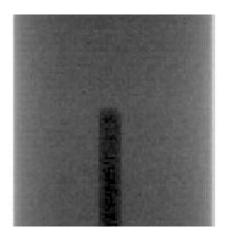
EPID image of initial positioning of air cavity slab MV cone beam image of initial positioning of air cavity slab

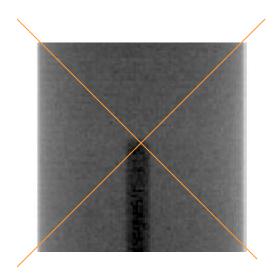
With the techniques and software used for IGRT, correct the position of the tip of the air cavity to isocenter and the adjust the rotation of the slab to that planned.

Print out the shifts and rotation performed.

Take an image (EPID) with the 4cm X 4 cm treatment field.

Submit this image.





Possibilities:

•Total system verification (imaging to planning to delivery)

•Requires equipment readily available •No shipping of phantoms

Limitations:

Accuracy ~ 1mm

•Will not detect "pitch and roll" discrepancies