First 100 days of AlignRT use

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Radiotherapy department

- Two linacs
- One CT
- Cirka 800 patients per year
- DIBH on all breast treatments
- Used to have Varian RPM



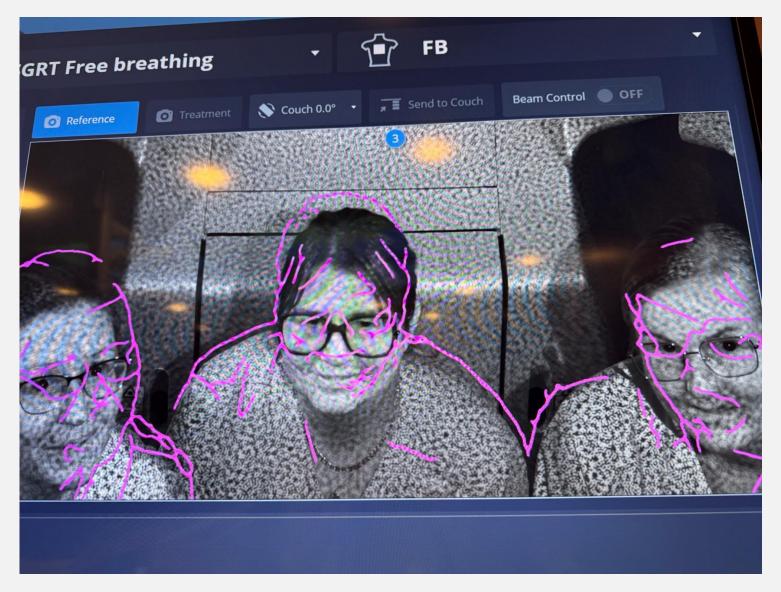






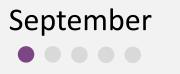
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Installation of AlignRT on SB2 and CT

- The entire team got sick
- Three Horizon cameras
- One 42" screen





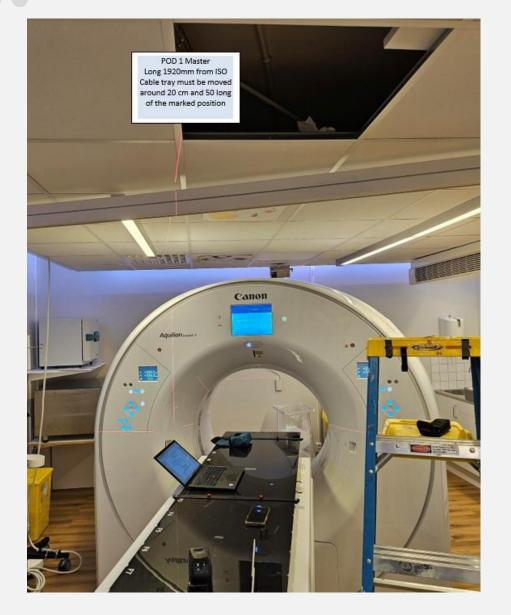


Installation of SimRT on CT

- One camera facing the bore
- Technical difficulties

September





Intro course for super users

- Two physicists and three nurses attended the intro courses
- Terms like
 - Treatment capture
 - Gated capture
 - Real time coach
- New way of thinking
- ROI practise

September





September

Go Live on SB2

- With the support of Katja
- All patients except masked and gated patients
- Continued training on the rest of the staff







Installation of SB1

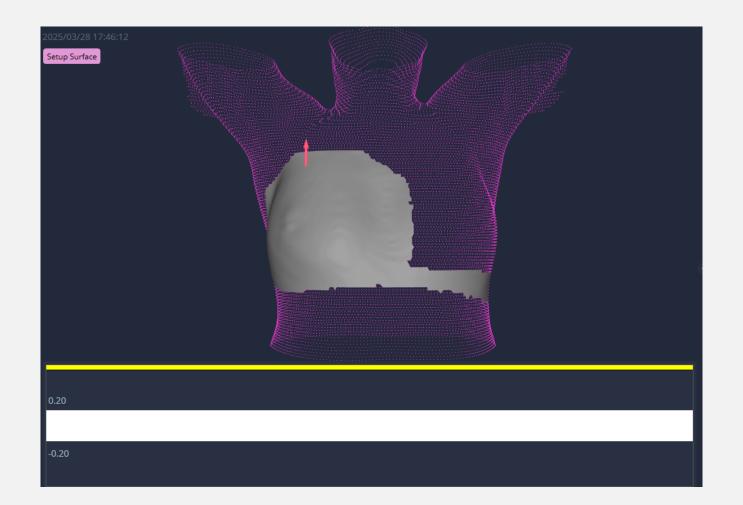
- The entire team was present
- Three Horizon cameras
- One 42" screen





Another intro course

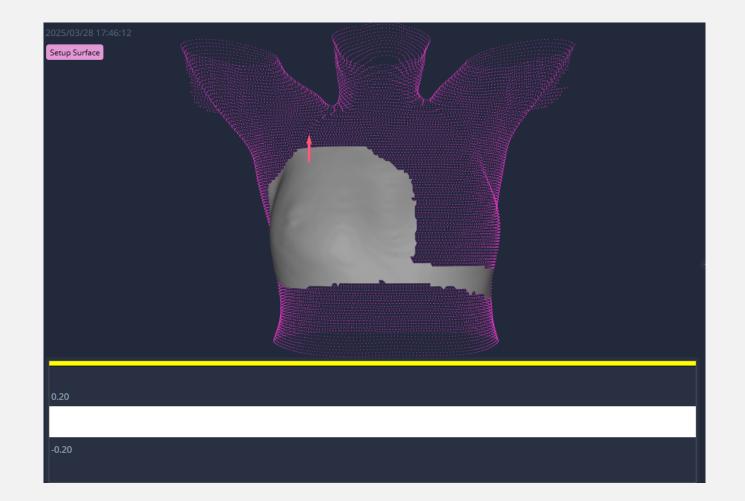
- DIBH training
- Know when to quit, is it clinically relevant?





Go live on SB1

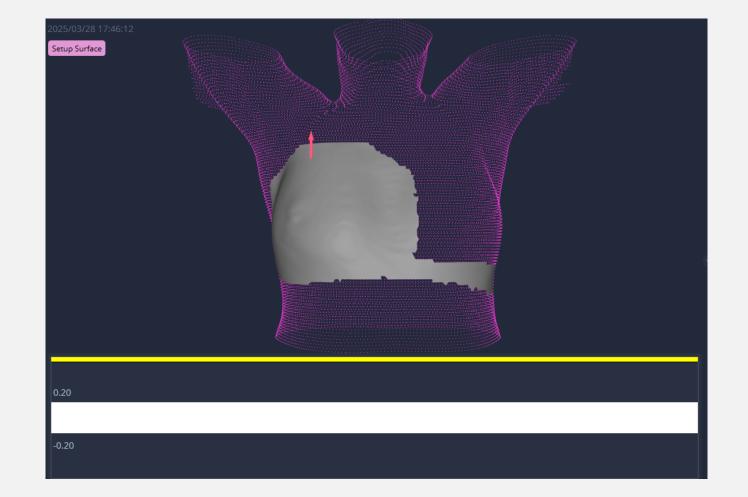
- Started with DIBH treatments
- Not easy at first!
- Longer treatment times
- From 30/15 to 45/30 minutes at first





Go live on SB1

- Allotting enough time for each nurse
- Do everything together
- Repeat the steps out loud
- Let the staff explore different options



November



CT acceptance went through

- Started scanning DIBH patients with SimRT
- Tattooless! (almost)
- All tattoos gone except one on DIBH patients



November



DIBH training

- New workflow
- New DIBH training



November



Connect CT to Aria

 Script to transfer patient worklist into SimRT

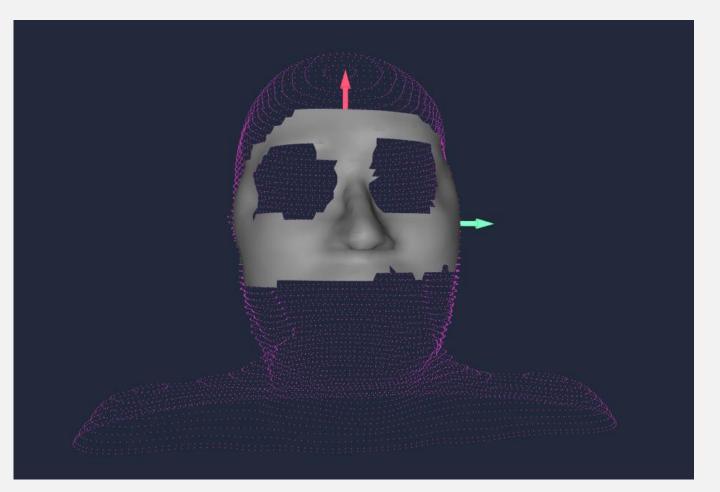
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December



Open masks

- Started with palliative brain treatments
- Possibility to see all 6 DoF at setup



December

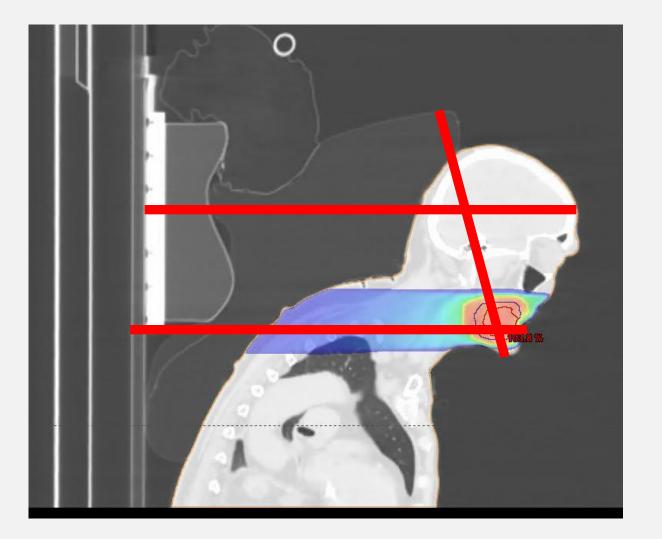
Head & Neck treatment without mask

Similar case to last year's event

"There is no radiotherapy without tape"

– Ulf Granlund, 2024





December



Dedicated meetings

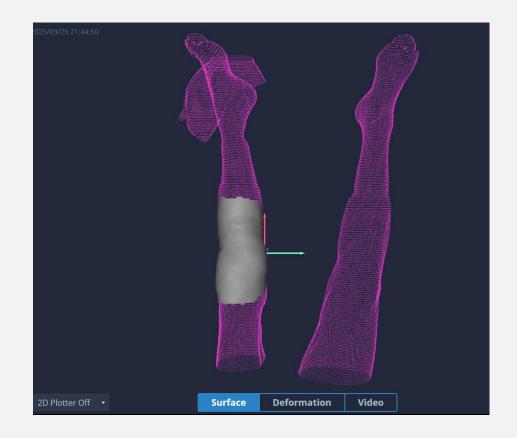
- Having regularly scheduled meetings
- Forum to raise issues or potential solutions
- Better cooperation between
 groups

Beyond



Conclusions

- We are still new to the systems
- Treatment times are going back to normal
- Extremities are much easier

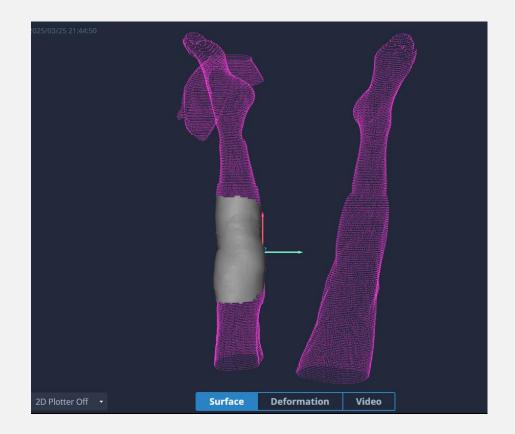


Beyond



Conclusions

- We can never go back
- Feature which are necessary for our clinical workflow
 - Treatment capture/postural video/deformation
 - Send to couch



Beyond



Plans for the future

- Evaluate open and closed masks
- Evaluate DIBH positioning
- Decrease the amount of kV imaging