

# Pushing the Boundaries in SGRT

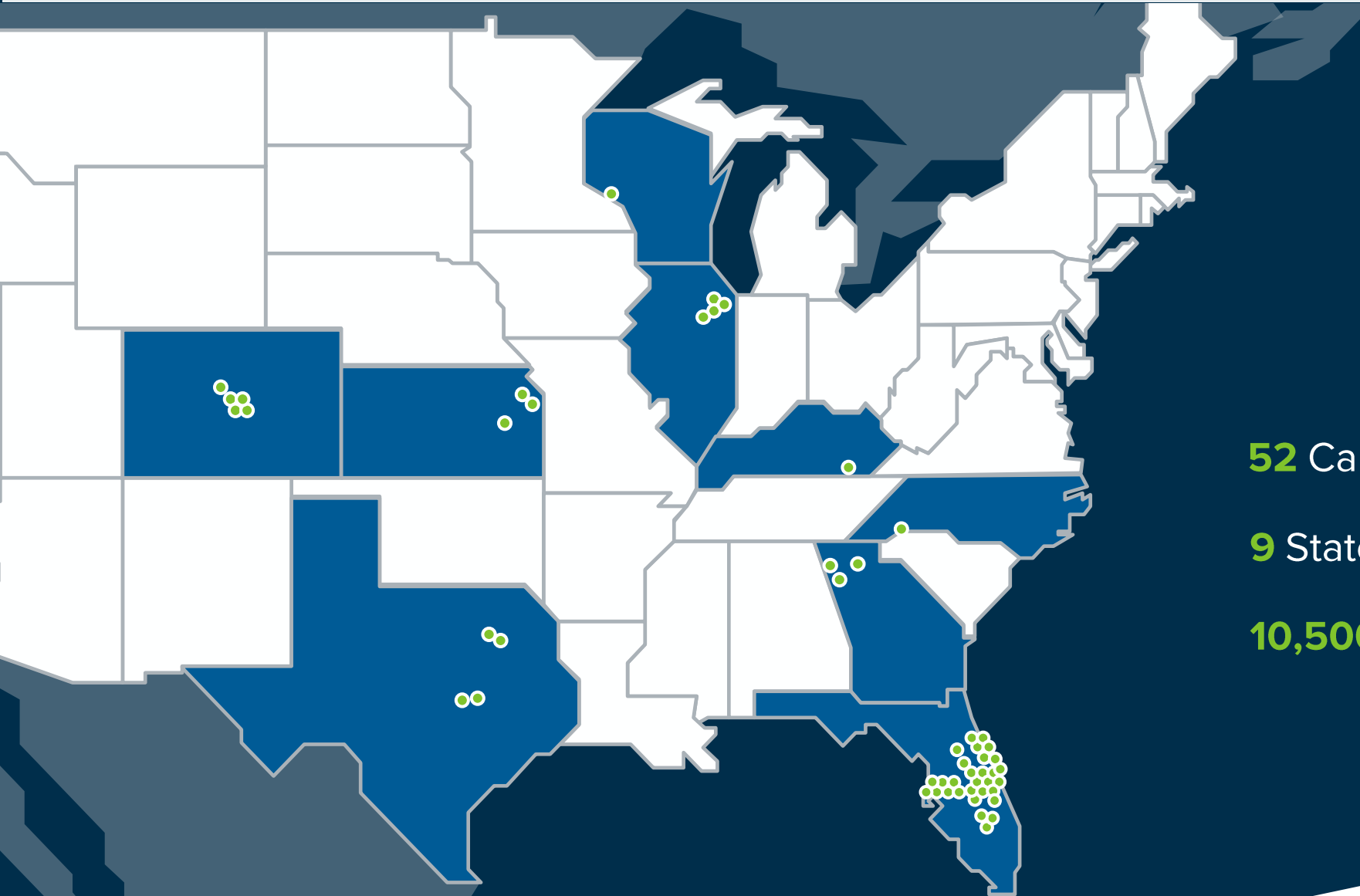
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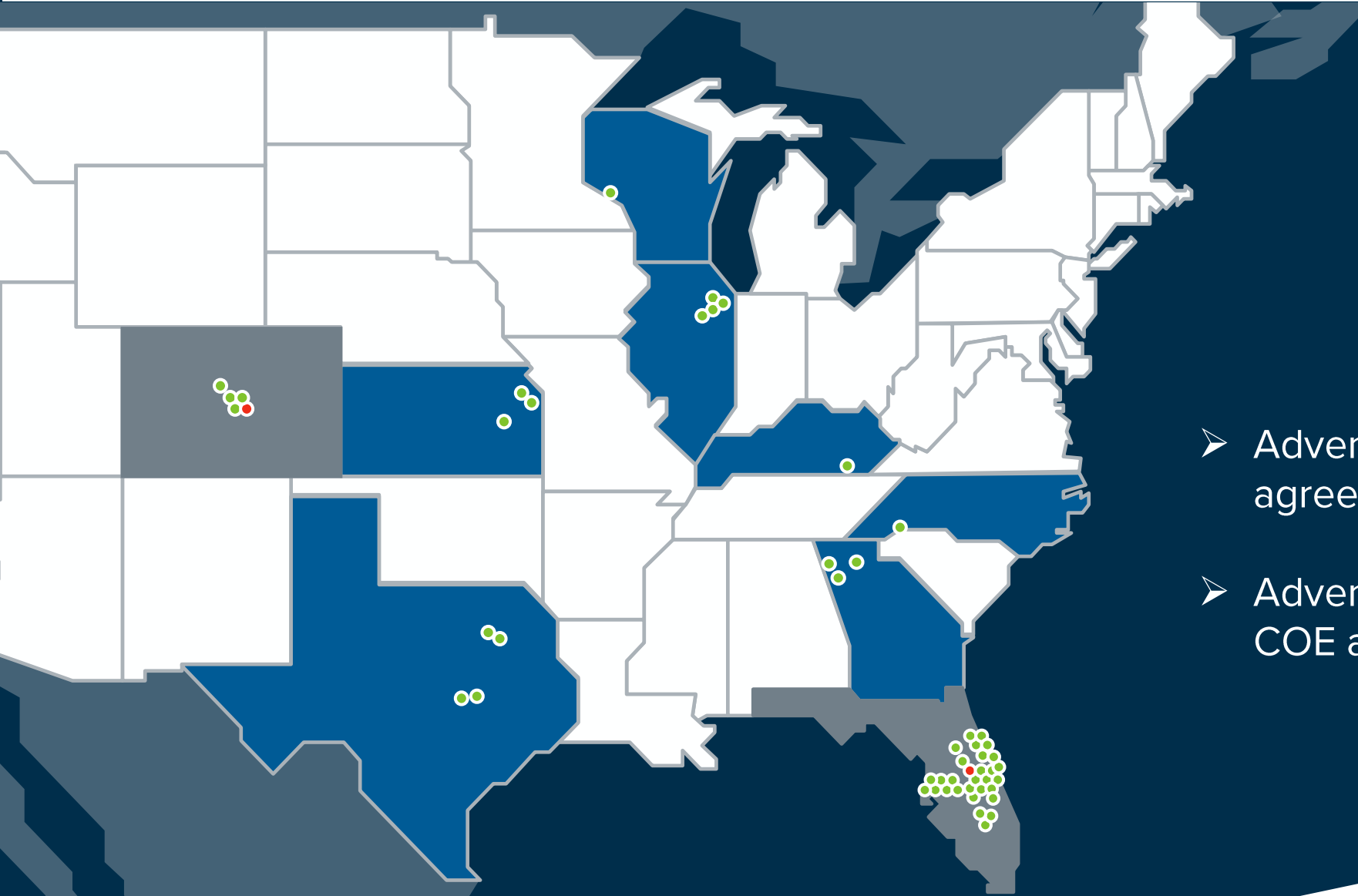


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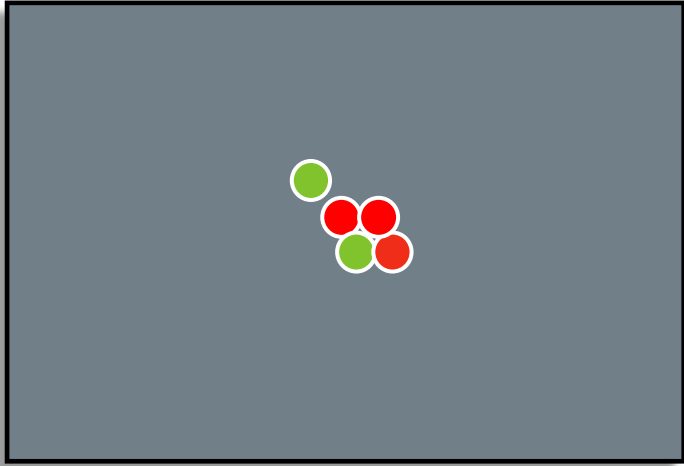
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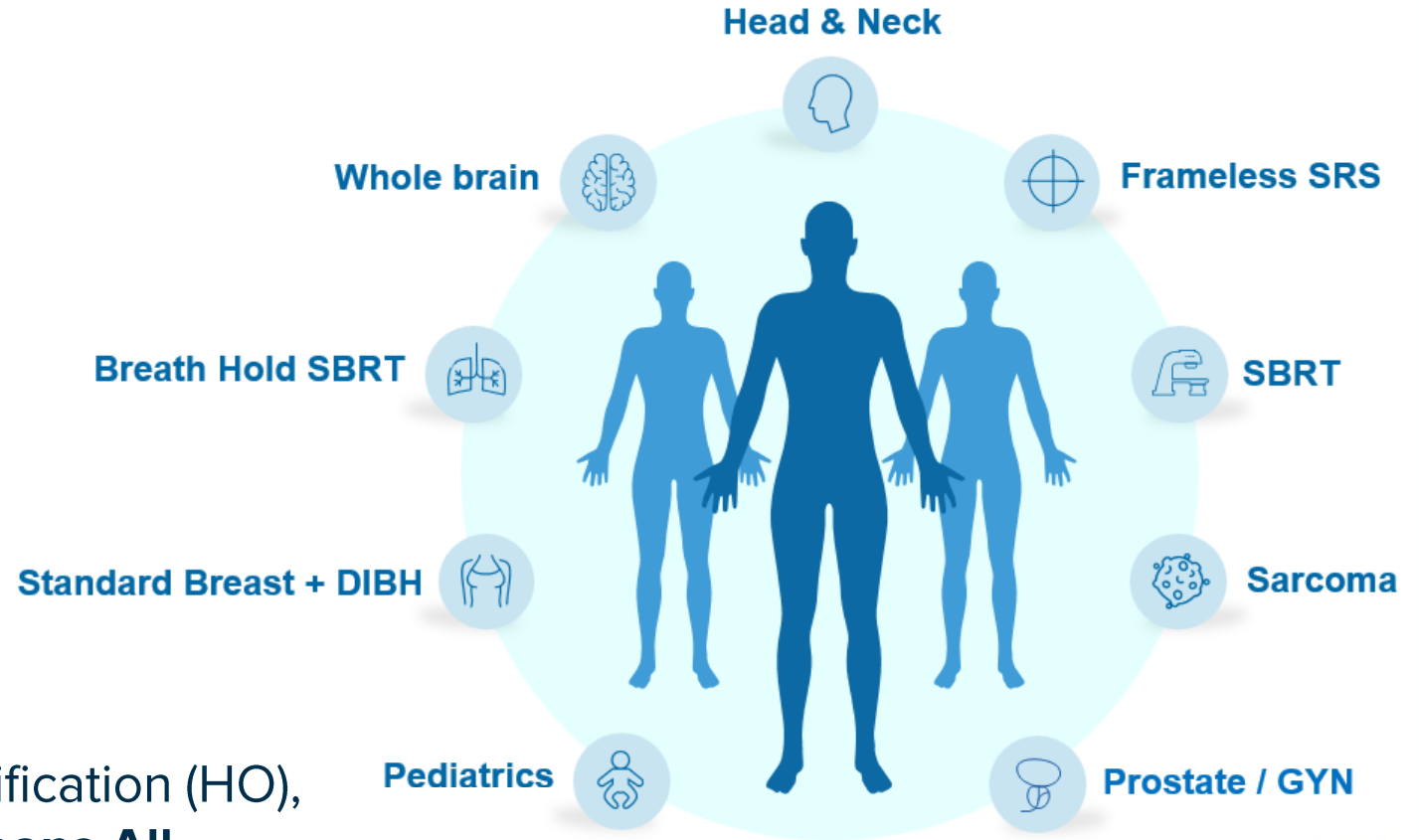


- AdventHealth – Parker has a PSA agreement with Vision RT.
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# Rocky Mountain Region



- SGRT is standard of care
- 100% of patients treated with SGRT.
- All indications including Heterotopic Ossification (HO), Electrons, and Osteoarthritis (OA)...**All means All**
- SGRT used for Simulation, Planning, Patient Identification, Patient Setup, Motion Management (Respiratory), Treatment Delivery and Dose Visualization





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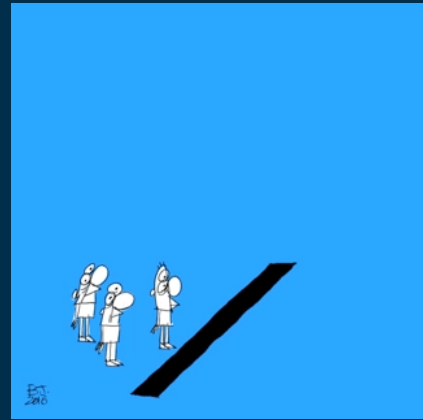


# Pushing Boundaries Doesn't Mean Crossing "The Line"



**This is a safe space**

- SGRT as the standard of care was once thought of as one of those "**Out-there ideas**"
  - Generally refers to unconventional, extreme, or unusual ideas. It can be used to describe a person's thinking, their creative output, or even a situation that deviates significantly from the norm.
- Treating 100% of patients with SGRT is still, to some degree, seen as pushing some sort of boundary.
  - Tattooless treatments are still considered pushing the limits by some
  - Treating SRS cases is still considered "risky" by some, even with the body of literature out there related to accuracy and clinical outcomes .
- Apply the principles of SGRT and SGRT technologies to
  - Simulation
  - Planning
  - Treatment
  - Exploring the utility of Direct Visualization of the Dose Deliveryis often seen as "**ill advised**" or even "**unnecessary**".



# My philosophy tends to be “slightly” different



## Goals

- Review a couple quick historical cases where boundaries may have been pushed and see where we are today.
- Look at some present “opportunities” to expand the utility of existing SGRT technologies by “nudging” a boundary or two.
- Peek over the fence and speculate on future opportunities.

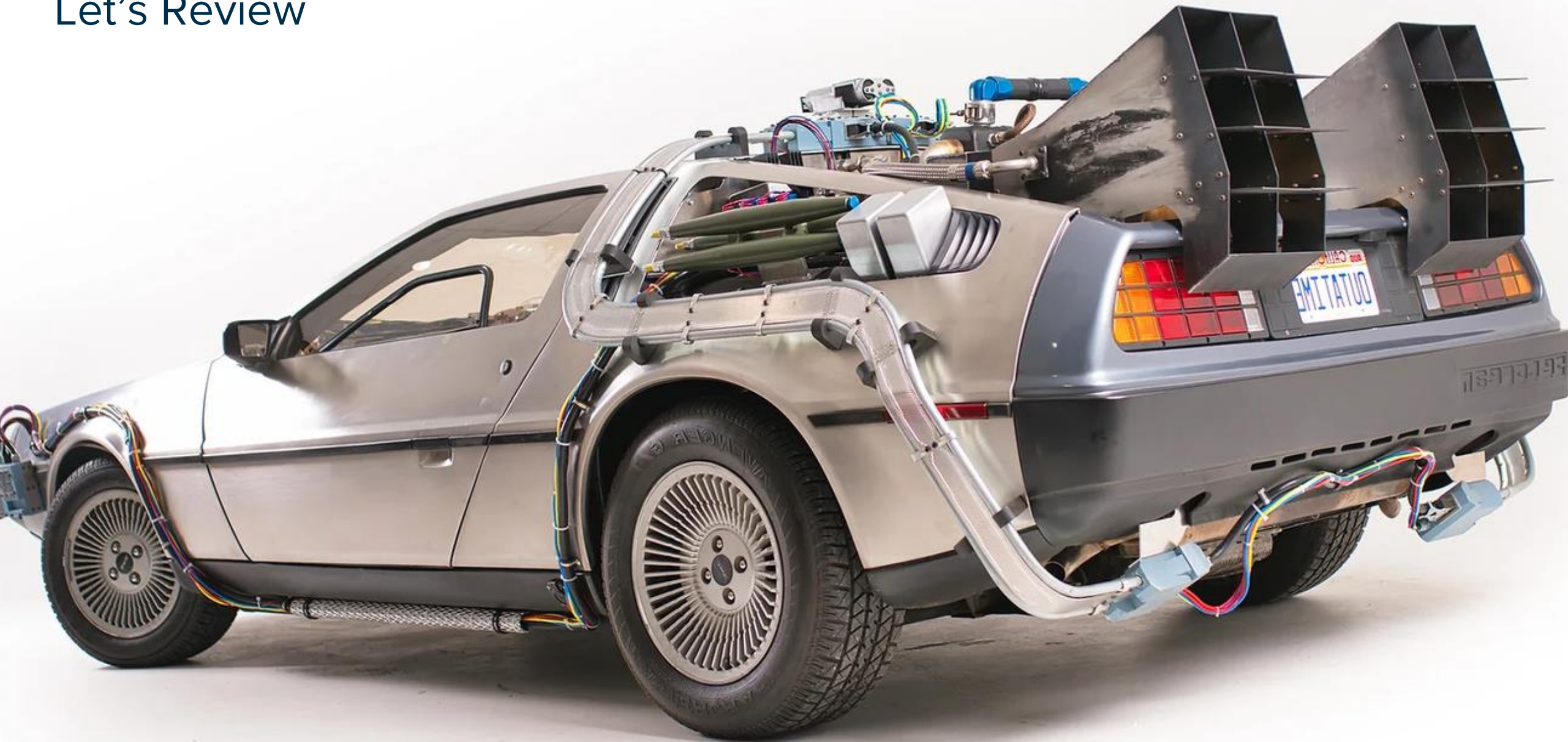
*“If you don’t push the boundaries you will never know where they truly are.”*

*“Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go,”*

*-T.S. Eliot*



# Let's Review





➤ First 10 H&N patients presented



➤ From: [Redacted]  
➤ Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 12:45 PM  
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I would encourage you to rethink this approach.

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	Vrt	Lat	Lng	Rtn
Full Mask	0.12	0.09	0.10	0.10
Partial	0.26	0.11	0.18	0.95
Chin Strap	0.11	0.07	0.08	0.65





Back to 2025!





# What has happened while we were gone?

Postural Video Released  
allowing for real-time  
video based postural  
correction prior to IGRT

2020



2019

Maskless H&N enters  
clinical discussion

Postural Correction and  
IGRT Augmentation  
Promoted

Importing of SGRT  
images and reports into  
OIS was first reported



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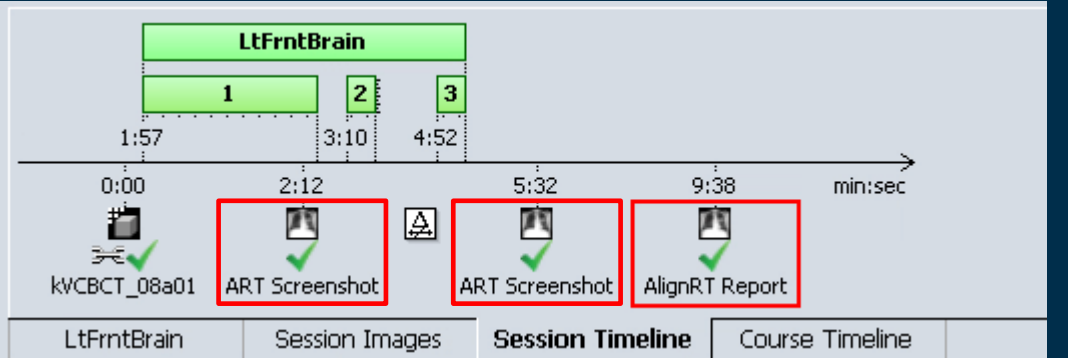
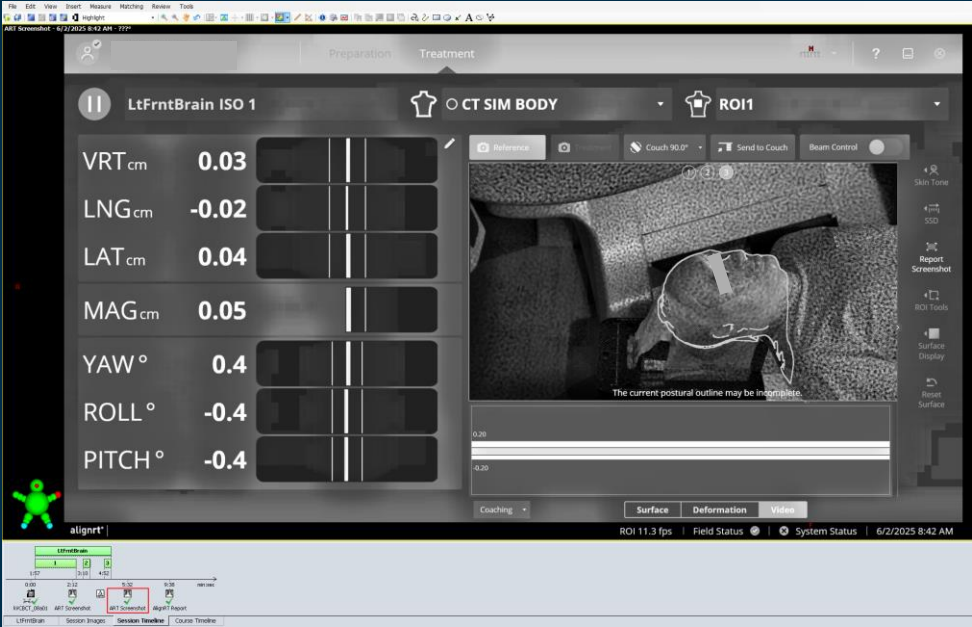
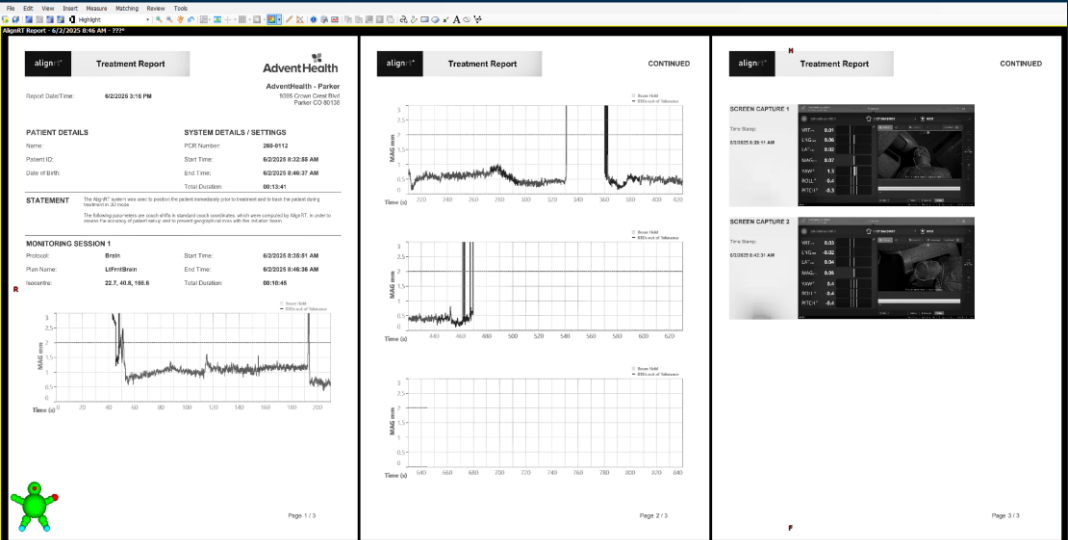


# What is Happening Today? - SGRT 2025



2025

OIS Module allowing for SGRT images to be displayed in the Aria IGRT timeline





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## Evaluation of a "MASKLESS" set up for Head and Neck Radiotherapy using DSPS-Prominent® combined with Surface-Guided Monitoring

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Fig. 1. Patient setup. Head and neck patient in the individual dorsal mask.

mask-free alternative for patients unable to be treated with standard immobilization.



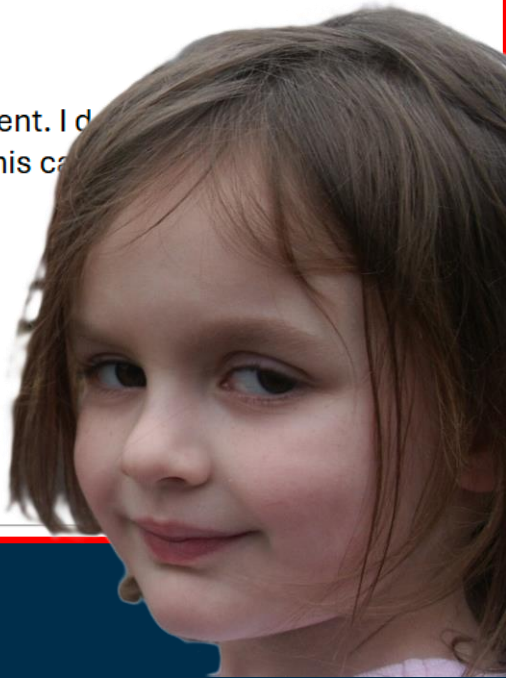
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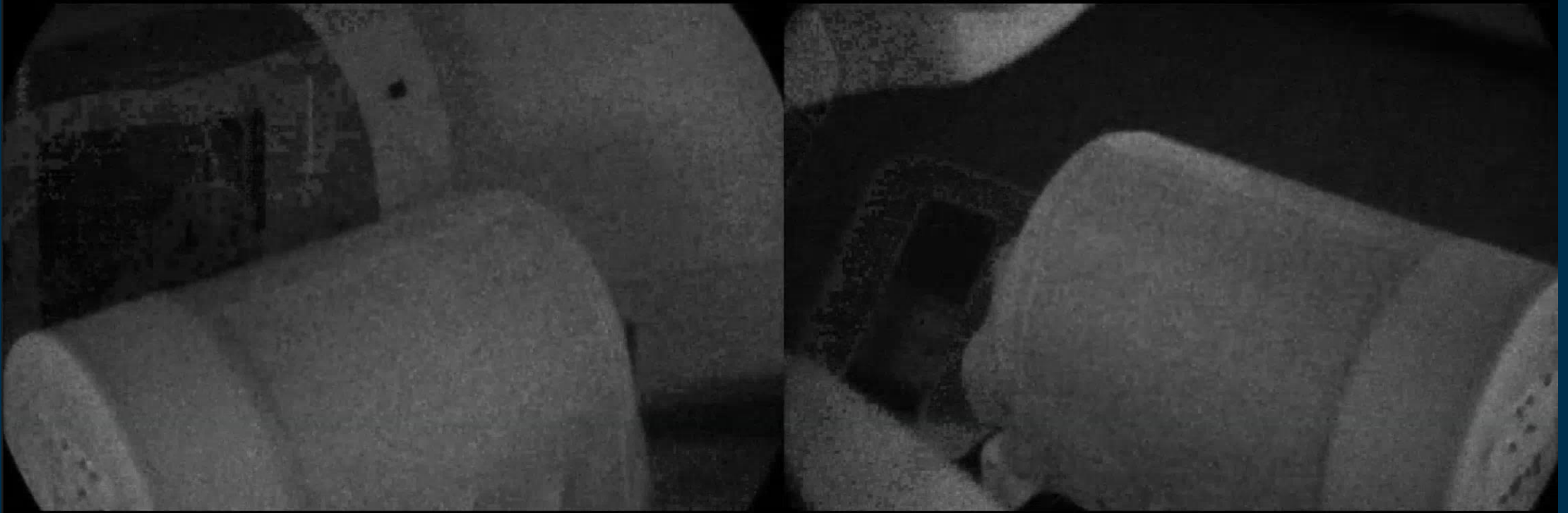


2025

Maskless H&N now being supported by mask vendors WHAT!?!?



# What is Happening Today? - SGRT 2025



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BeamLights introduces synchronized lighting for more refined Cherenkov imaging with DoseRT

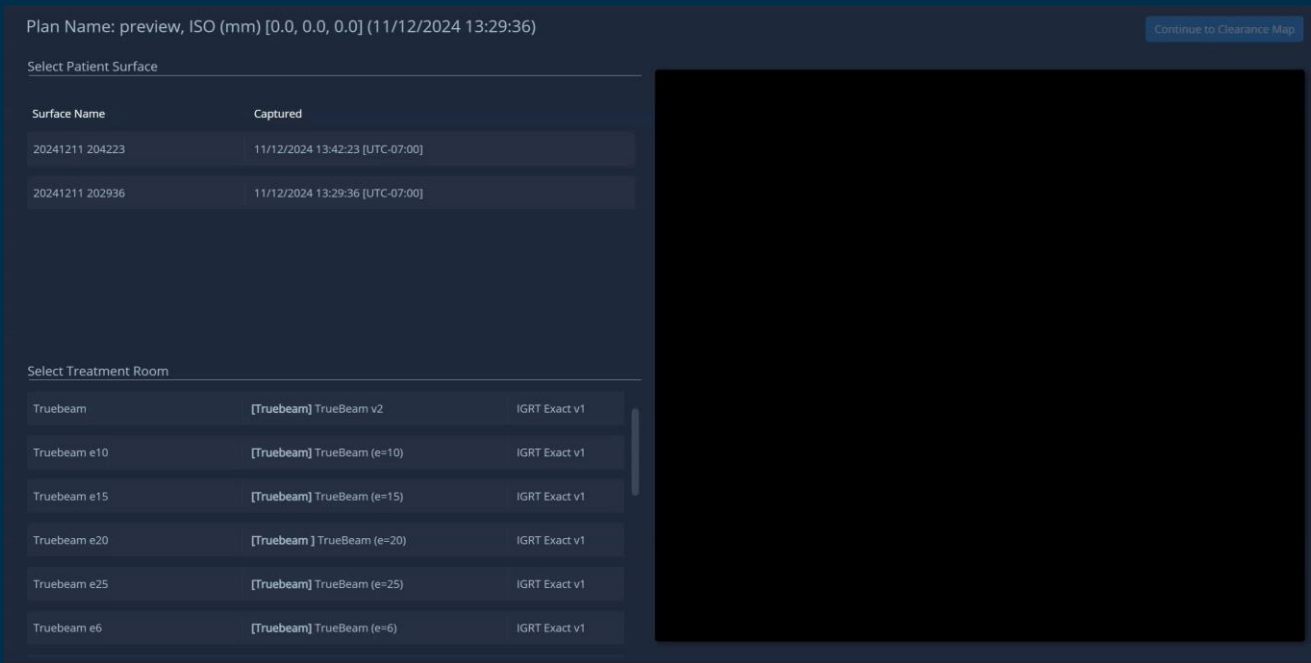




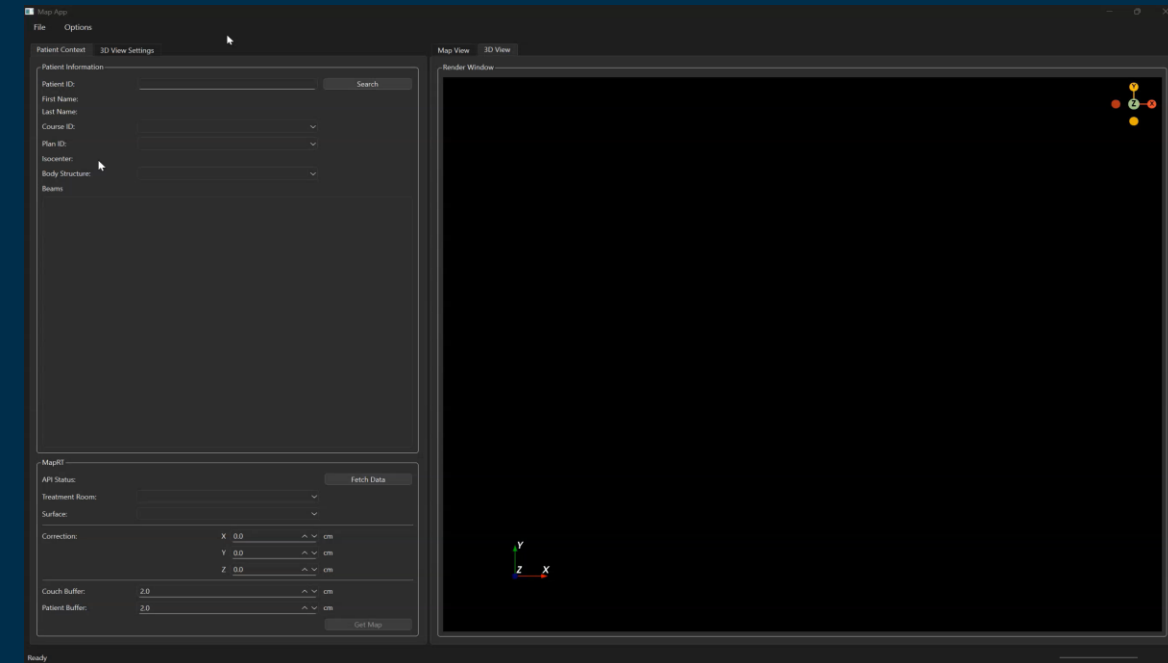
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# Workflows – Making Tweaks!



MapRT Web Interface

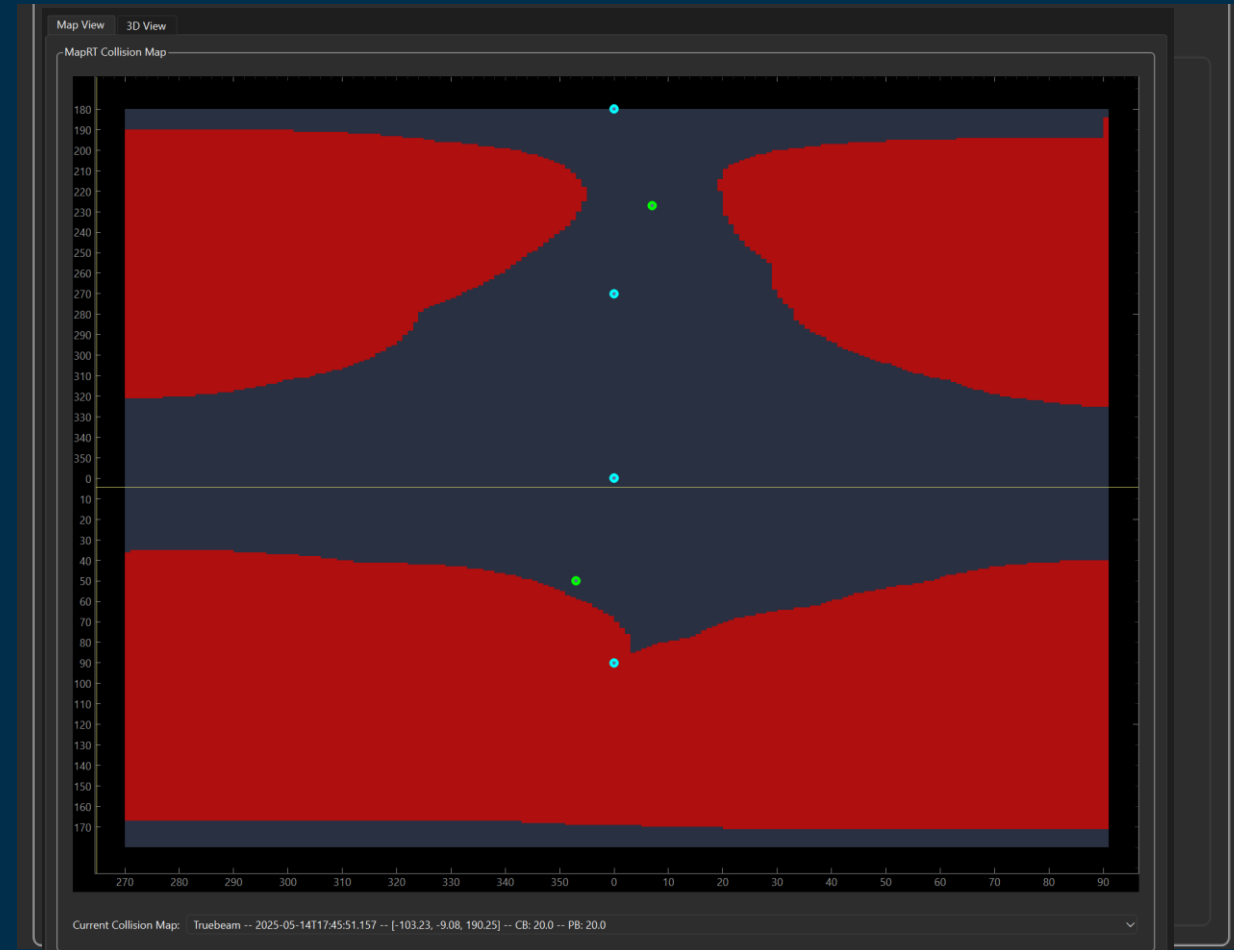
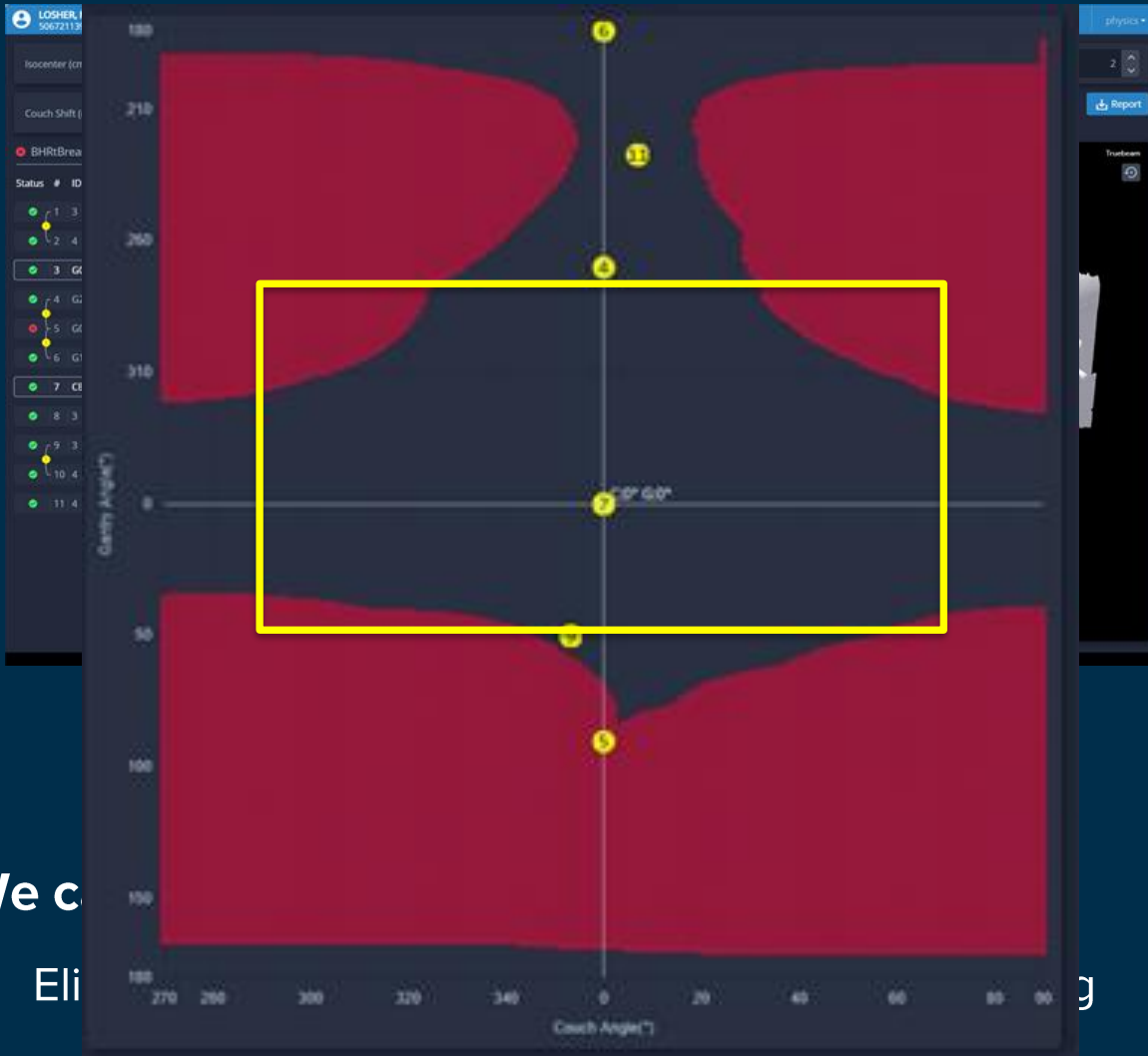


MapRT API

## We can work with the therapy teams to

- Design workflow to take advantage of the familiarity of the sim room (e.g. lasers vs axis marker)
- Set isocenter once and compare multiple collision maps
- Cache maps to avoid recalculation with repeated changes

# Information Display – Making Tweaks!



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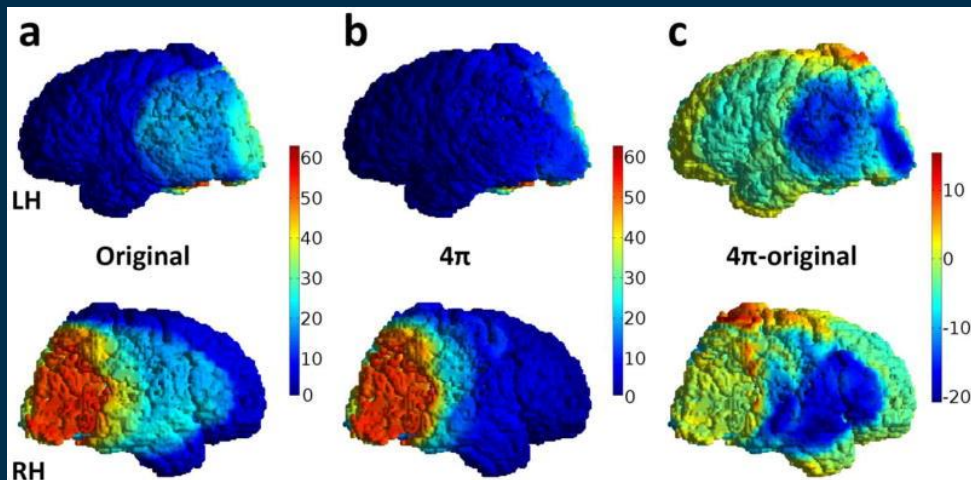
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- Add context through colors to easily identify issues from non-issues
- Simply make folks happy

# MapRT: Plan and Isocenter Validation and Treatment Coordination

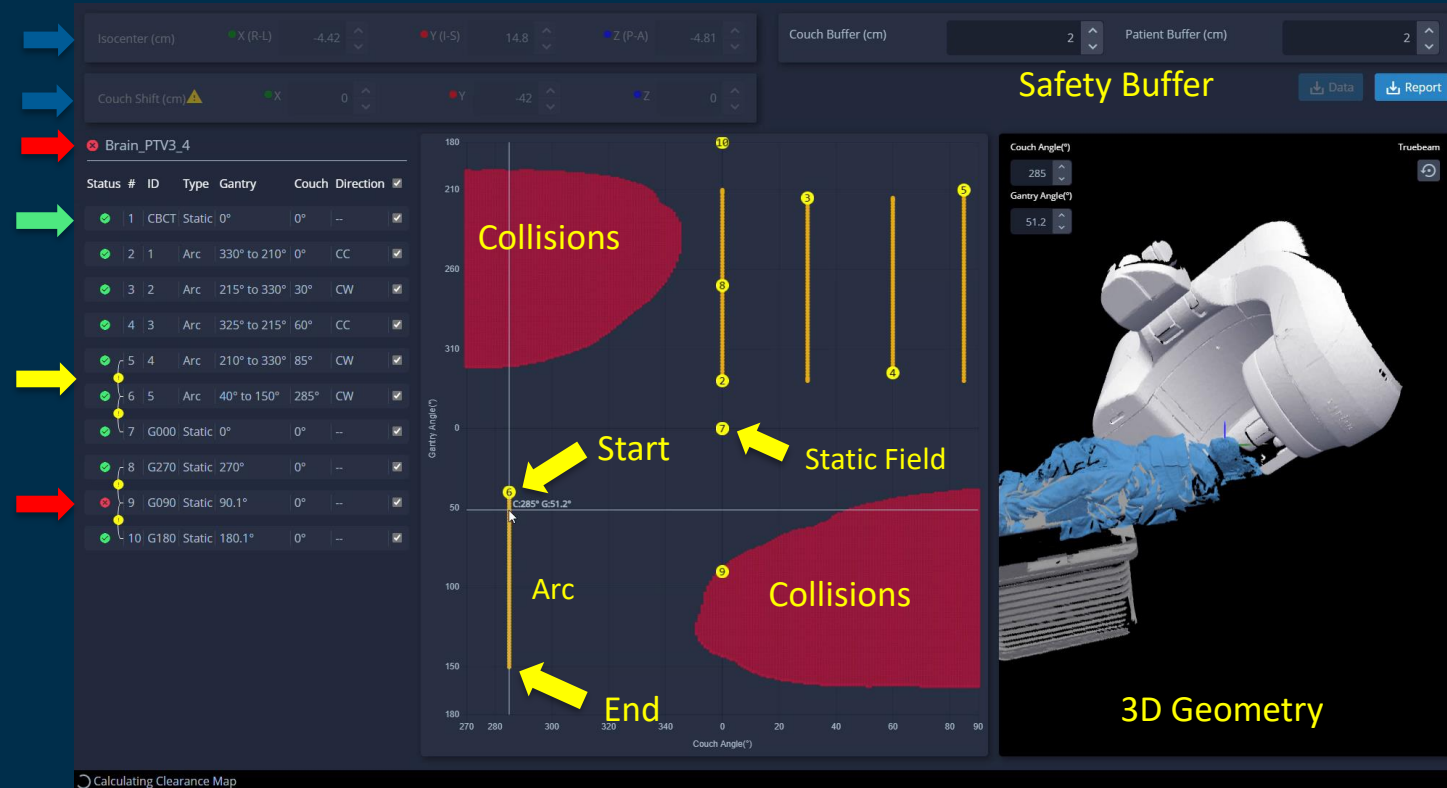
## SGRT for Treatment Planning

### Non-Coplanar Treatment to Spare Cortex

- Non-coplanar beam delivery enhances conformality
- 13 patients evaluated, non-coplanar versus delivered plans
- Example: Hippocampus mean dose improved 40%

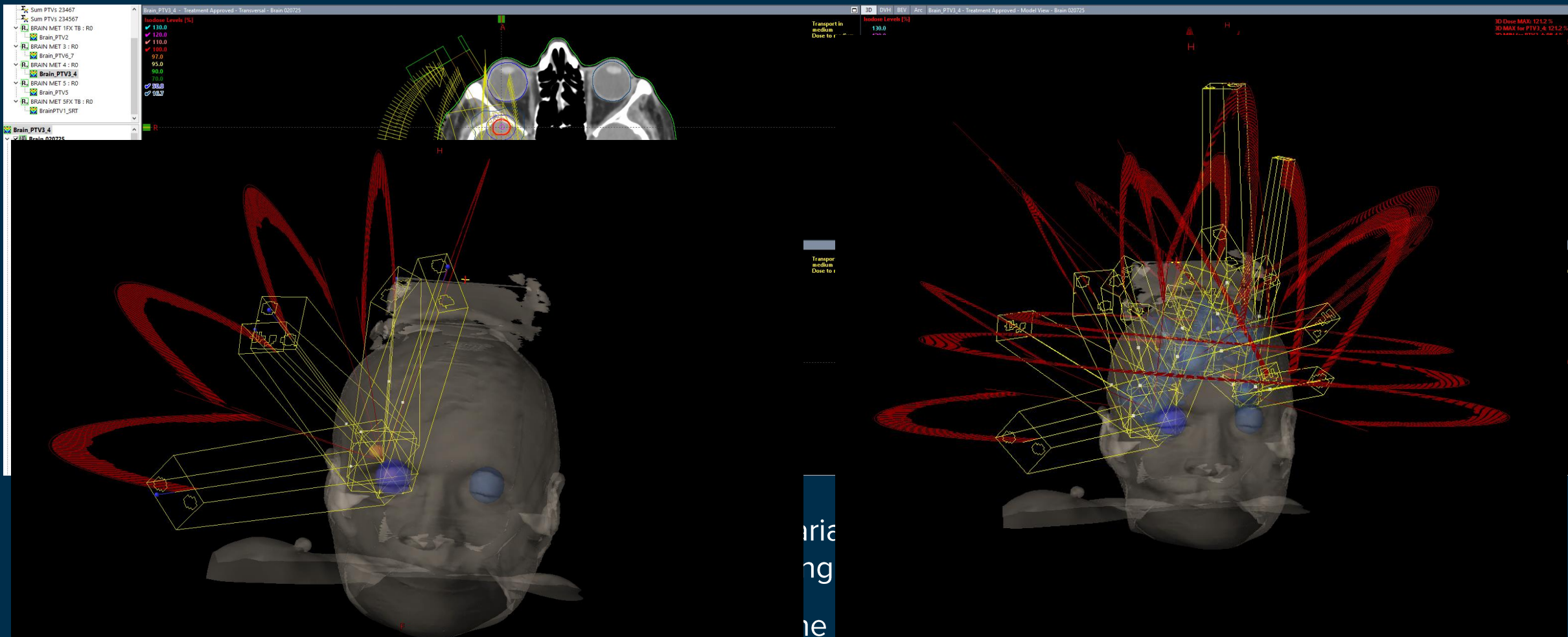


Murzin et al., Radiother Oncol, 2019





# SGRT for Intracranial SIMT SRS Planning

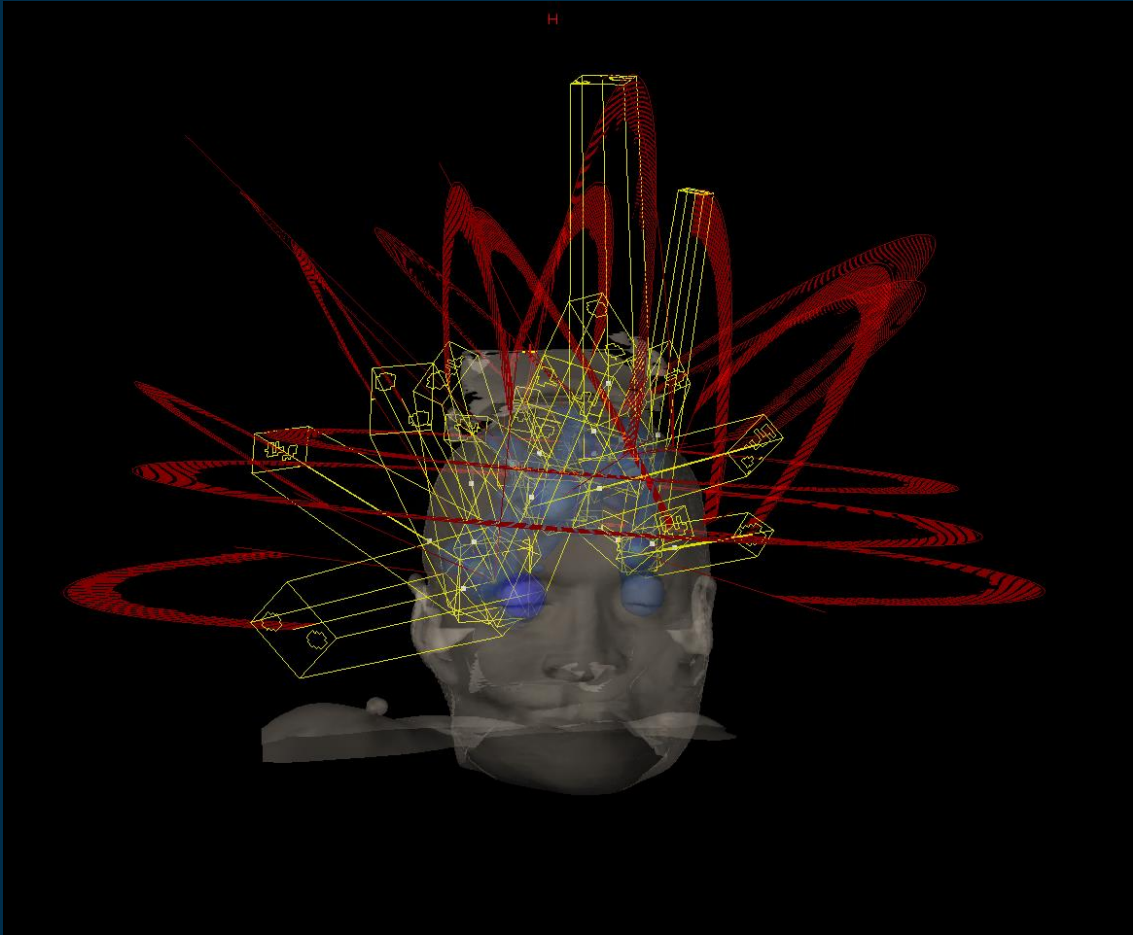


complex single isocenter multiple target (SIMT) SRS cases with previous irradiation that need to be avoided

**Single SIMT SRS Plan** **4 grouped SIMT SRS Plans to avoid previous treated areas**



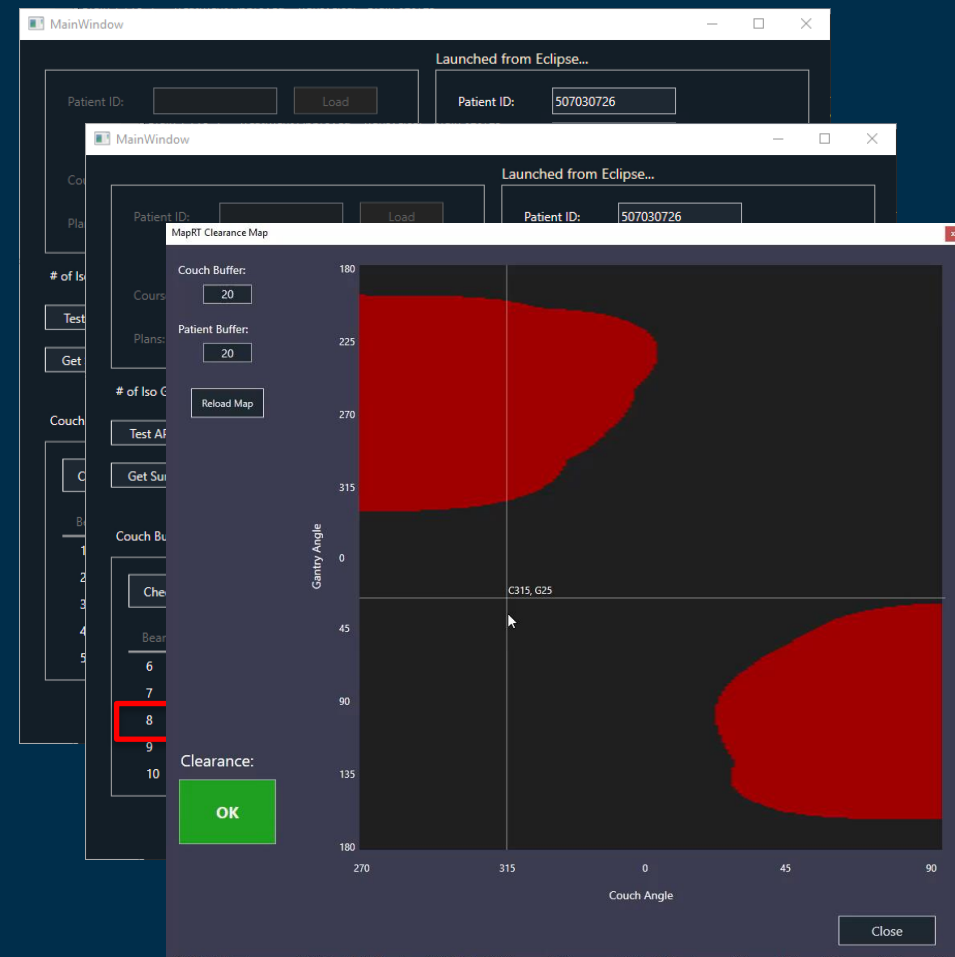
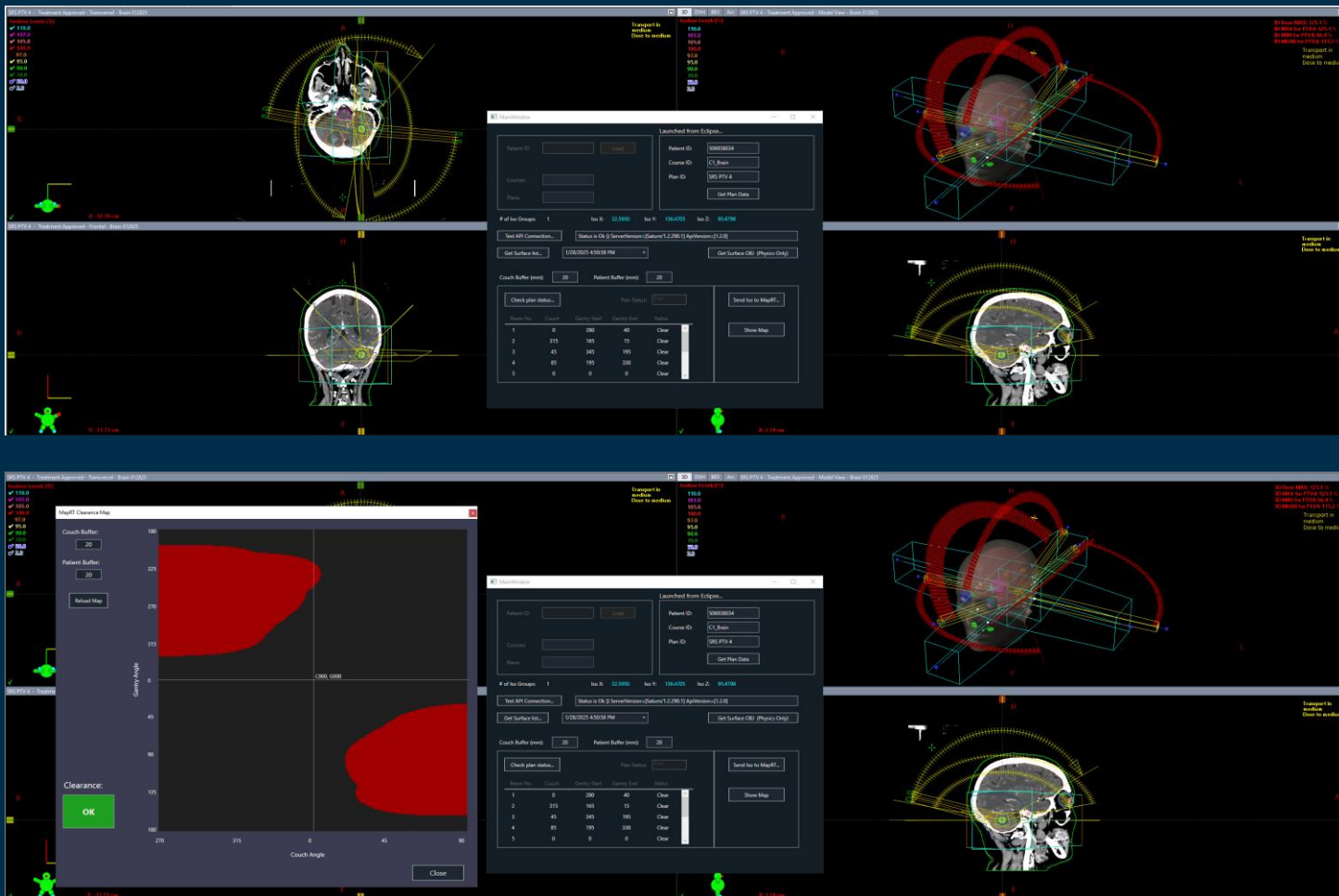
# MapRT Rapid Planning and Efficiency



**4 grouped SIMT SRS Plans to avoid previous treated areas**

- In order to review each of the isocenter groups or individual plans in MapRT each of them must be pushed to the MapRT DICOM SCP application via a DICOMRT SCU in your TPS
- Each plan can then be selected within the MapRT application along with the proper surface and machine geometry (organized by treatment room)
- Once the plan, surface and treatment room are selected the collision map can be calculated for the combined geometry
- This process can be time consuming for multi plan deliveries and requires the dosimetrist or physicist to work within an additional environment other than the TPS.

# MapRT Rapid Plan Validation Through ESAPI Integration (C#)



- Leveraging the API allows the user to rapidly evaluate the plan context being worked on while planning.
- The API also allow the user to generate a collision map that can be dynamically explored for alternate solutions for failing fields reducing planning time by more than 30 minutes.

# Workflow Dependent Errors: Collision Map Validation

Plan Name: Brain\_SRS1, ISO (mm) [-30.3, -11.7, 217.2] (17/02/2025 11:08:26) Continue to Clearance Map

Select Patient Surface

Surface Name	Captured
20241211 204223	11/12/2024 13:42:23 [UTC-07:00]
20241211 202936	11/12/2024 13:29:36 [UTC-07:00]

Select Treatment Room

Truebeam	[Truebeam] TrueBeam v2	IGRT Exact v1
Truebeam e10	[Truebeam] TrueBeam (e=10)	IGRT Exact v1
Truebeam e15	[Truebeam] TrueBeam (e=15)	IGRT Exact v1
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Truebeam e6	[Truebeam] TrueBeam (e=6)	IGRT Exact v1

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Select Patient Surface

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## Promoting replacement of safety checks with new methods requires new safety checks

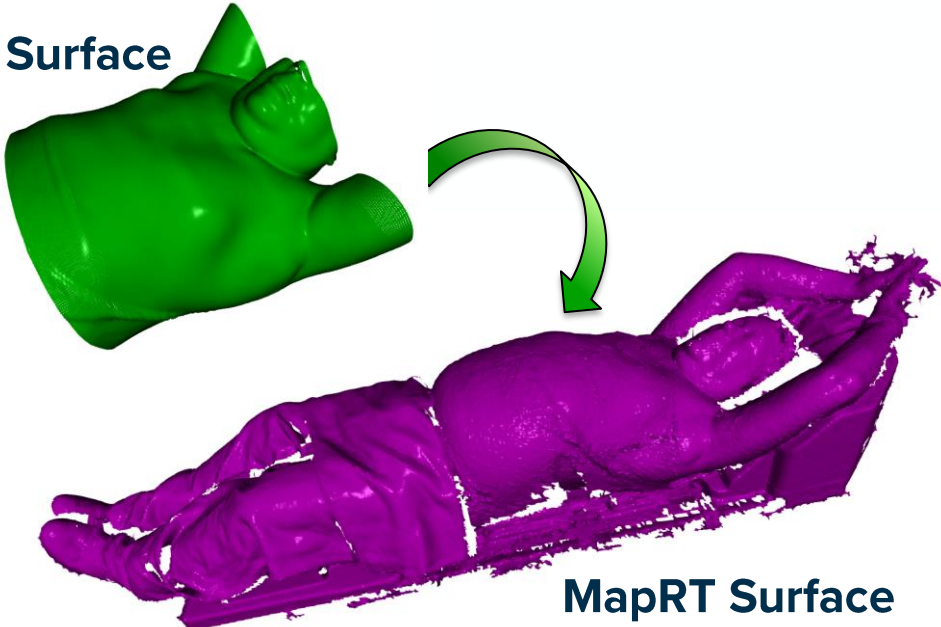
- We need to verification that the proper data is used for collision map calculation if collision maps are going to be used to help guide our planning
- Safety dictates that errors should be readily identifiable if the new check is to replace the old
- **Policies and Procedures** are the lowest level of the **Hierarchy of Effectiveness**



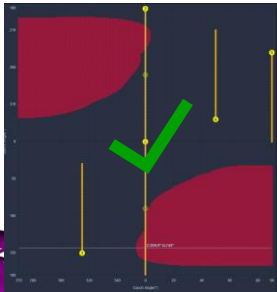


# MapRT API: Additional Isocenter Verification (HTTPS and Python)

DICOM Surface

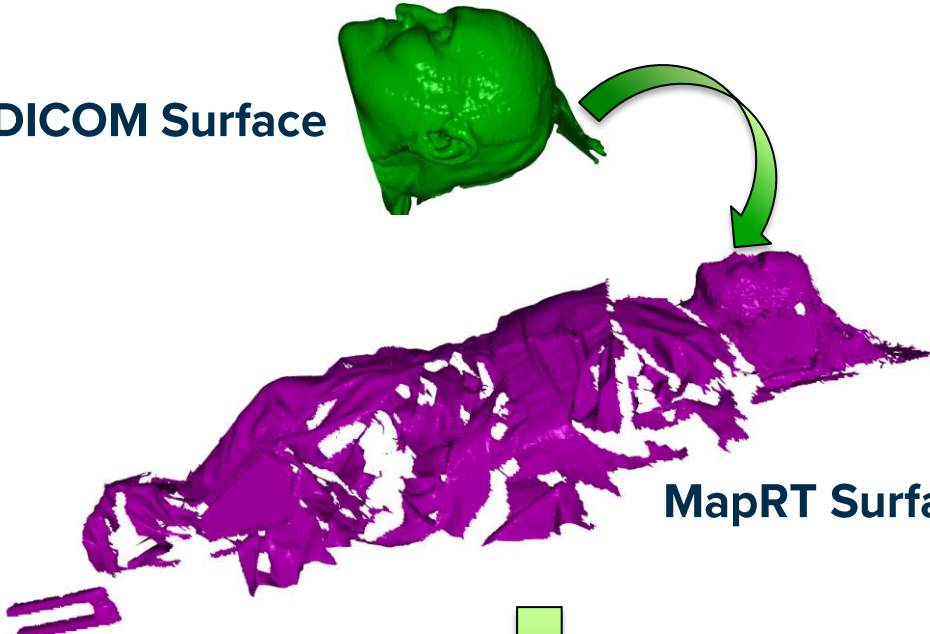


MapRT Surface

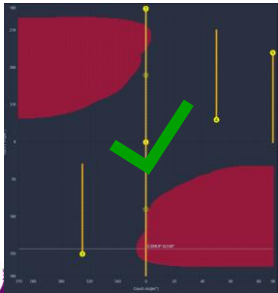


Merged Result

DICOM Surface

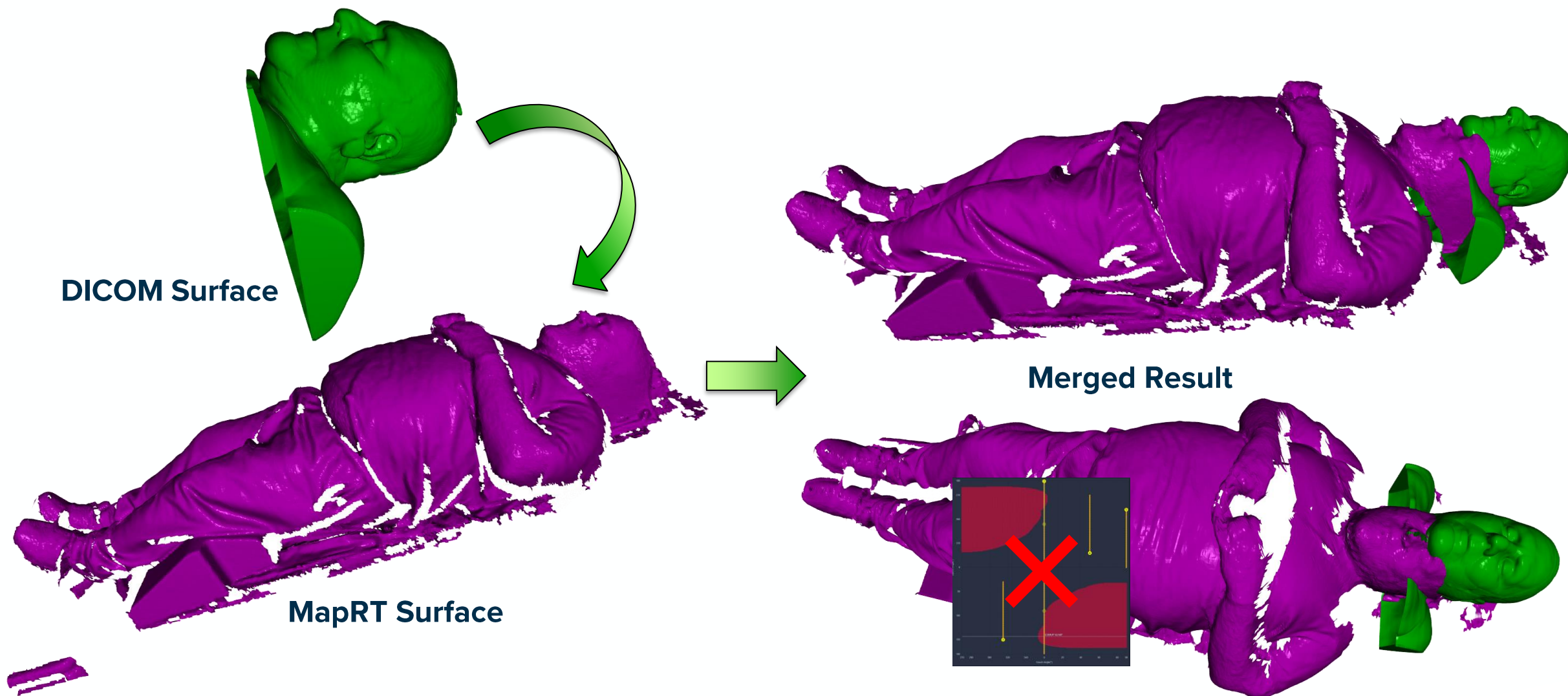


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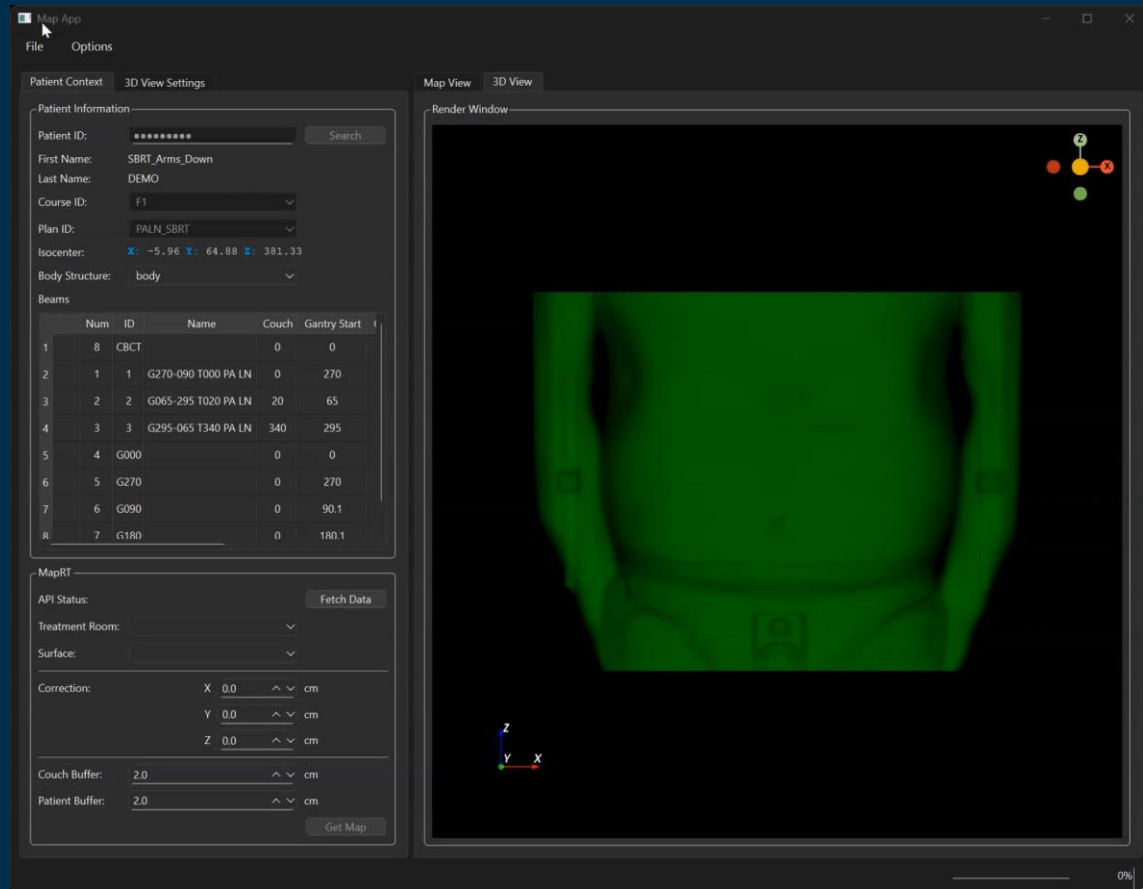
# Preventing False Collision Maps From Incorrectly Captured Surfaces



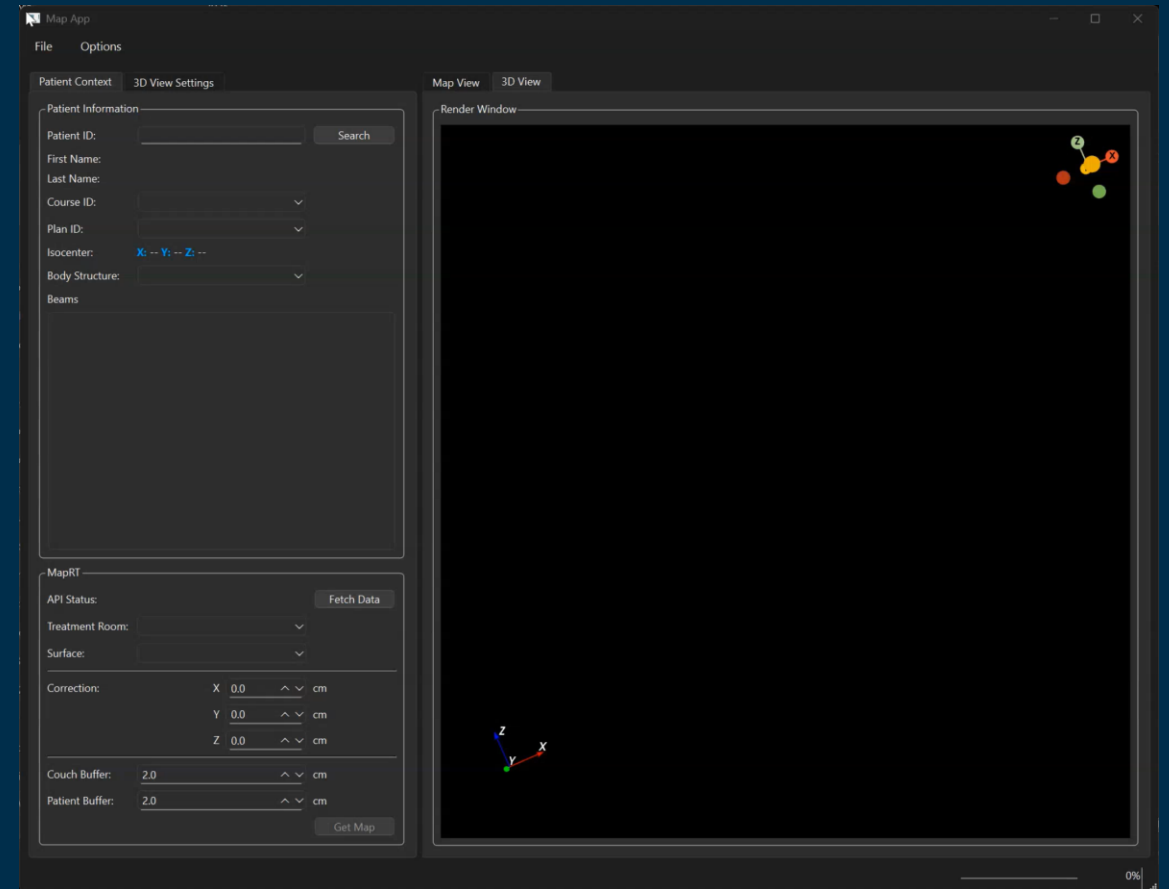
- Incorrect captures can result in artificial clearance due to an offset in DICOM isocenter



# Improper Surface Capture Correction Workflow with MapRT API

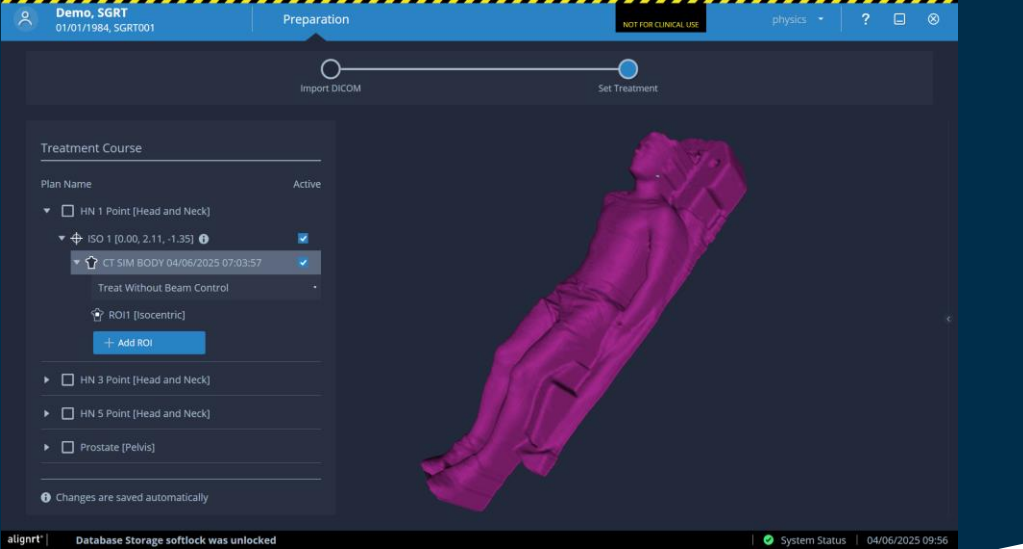
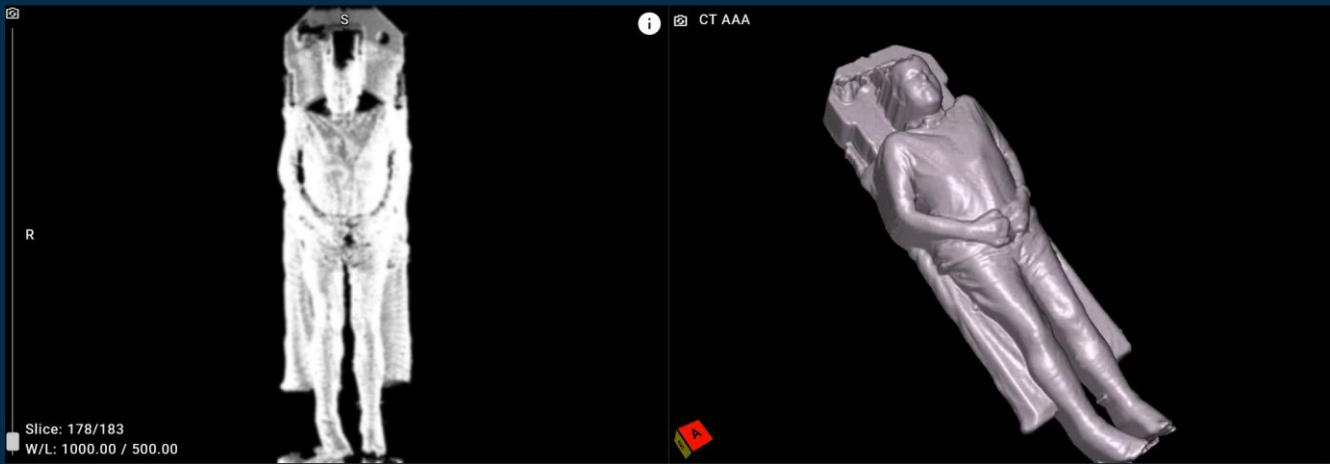
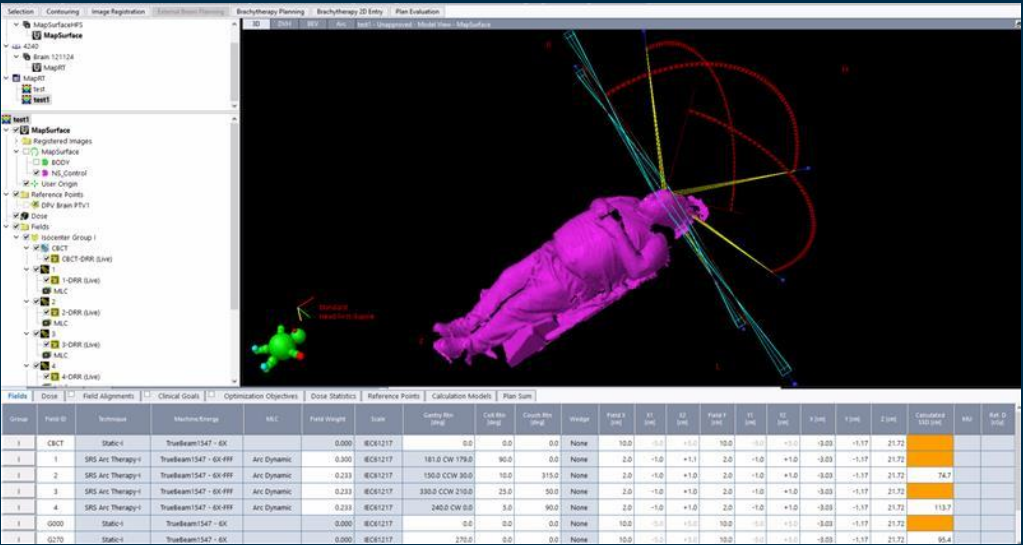
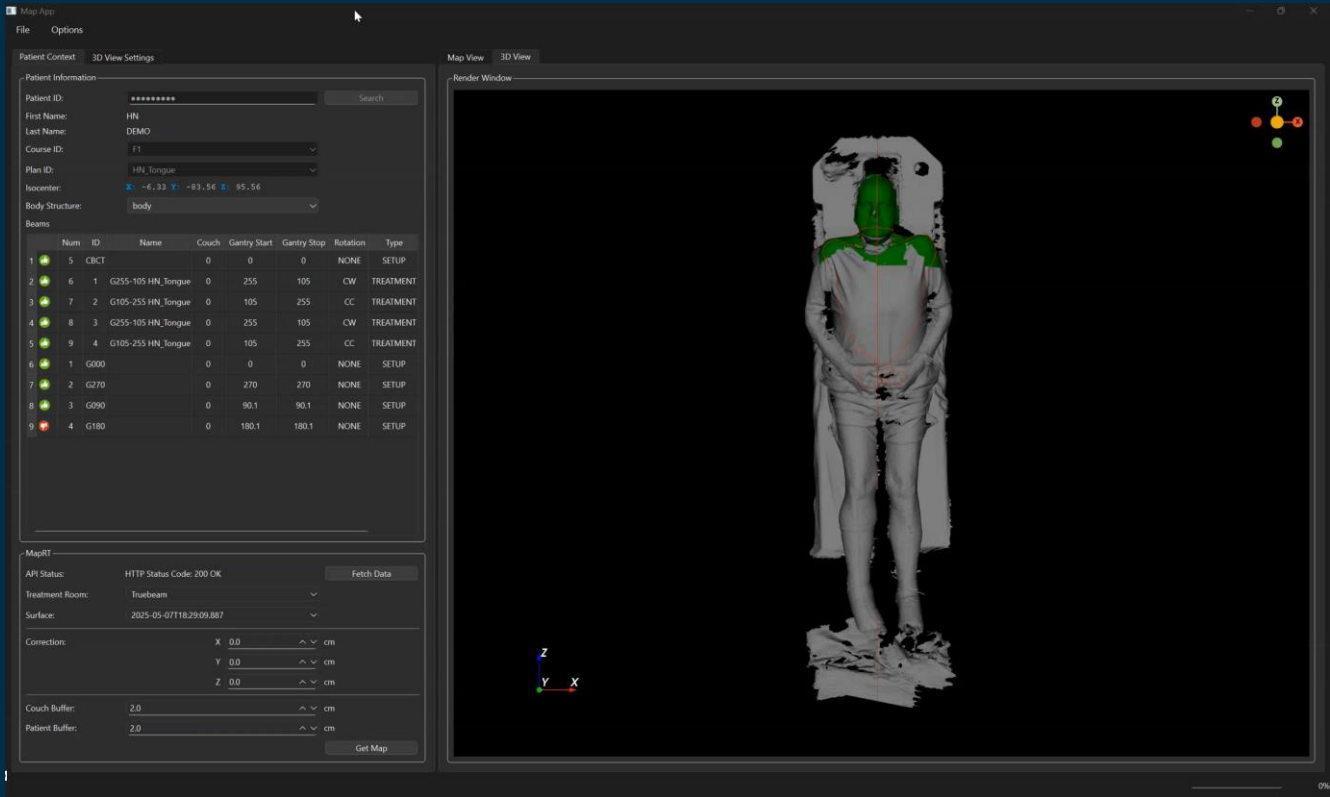


Validation of Correction During Simulation



Correction During Treatment Planning

# Conversion of Surface Mesh to DICOM and Generation of Synthetic CT

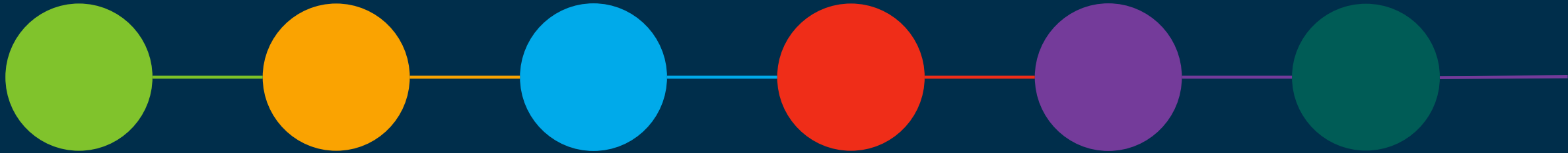




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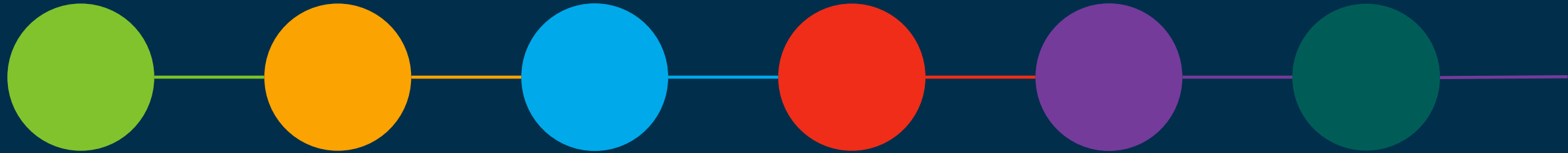
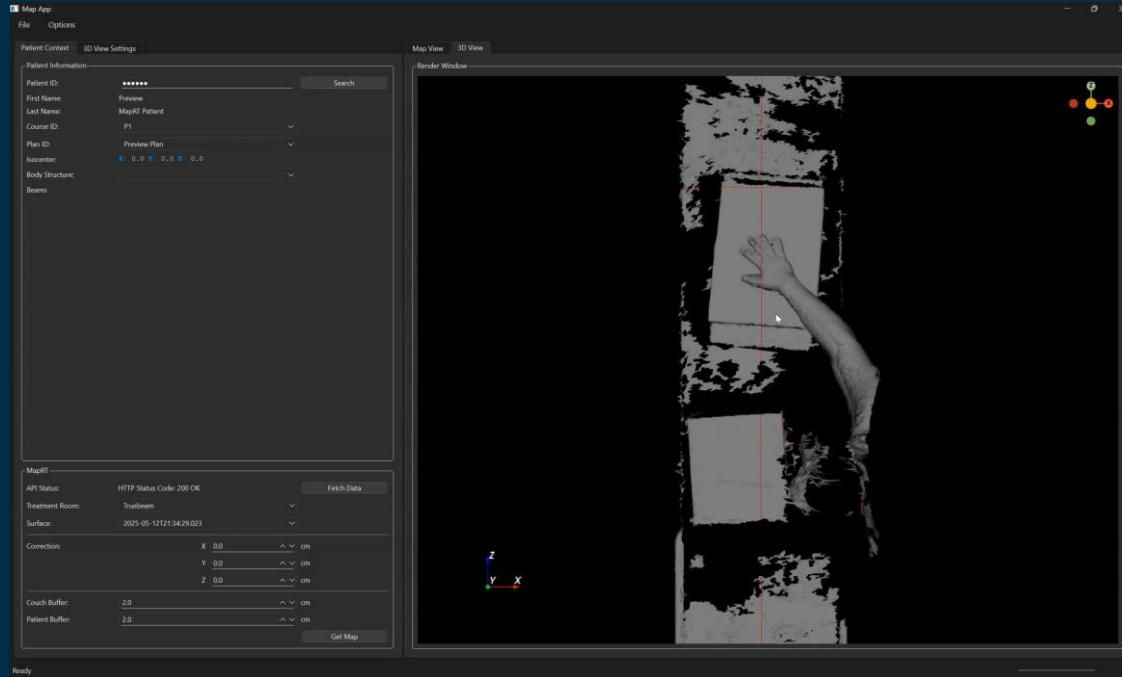
# Sim – Plan – Treat – Dose



What could a future Sim – Plan – Treat – Dose process look like?

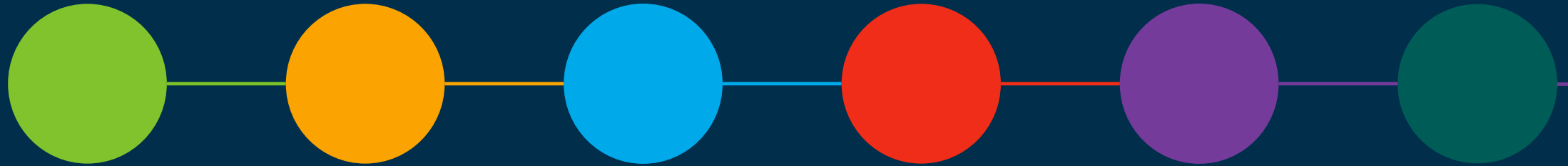
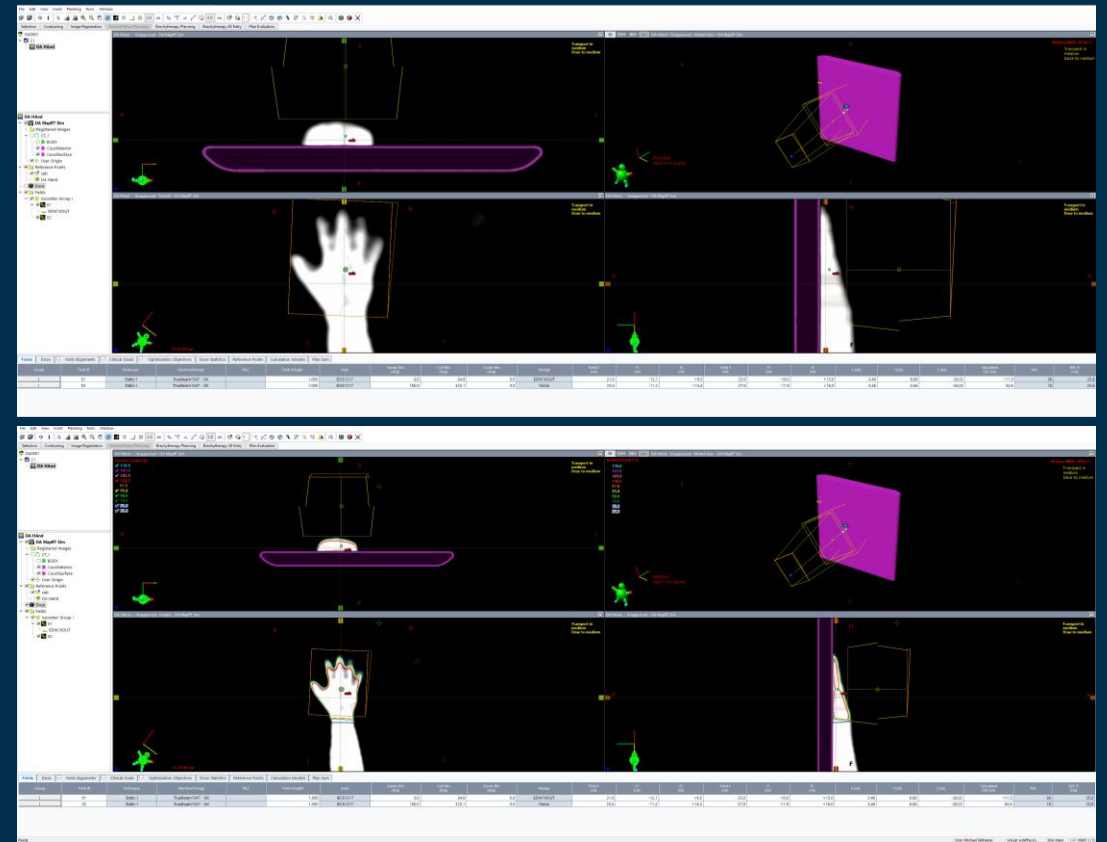


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**We can replace a standard CT sim with a completely optical sim for some indications.**

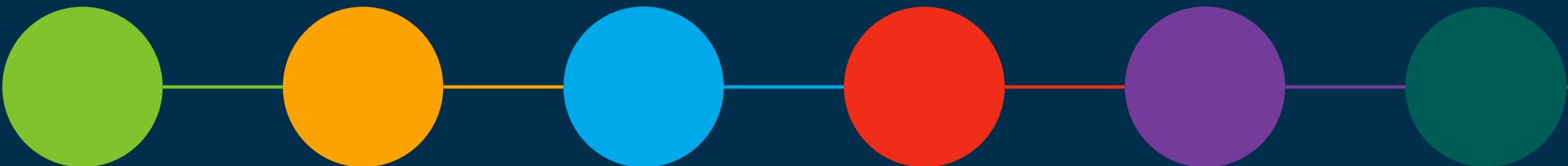
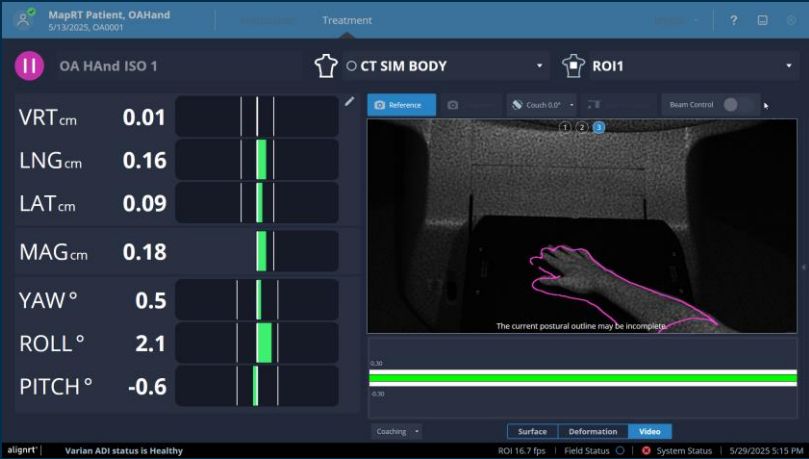
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We can then convert an optical sim surface to a synthetic planning CT.



# Sim – Plan – Treat – Dose



The sim surface then becomes the treatment setup surface.

# Sim – Plan – Treat – Dose

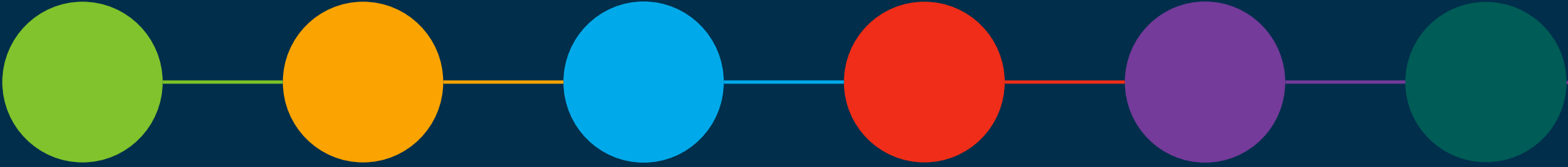
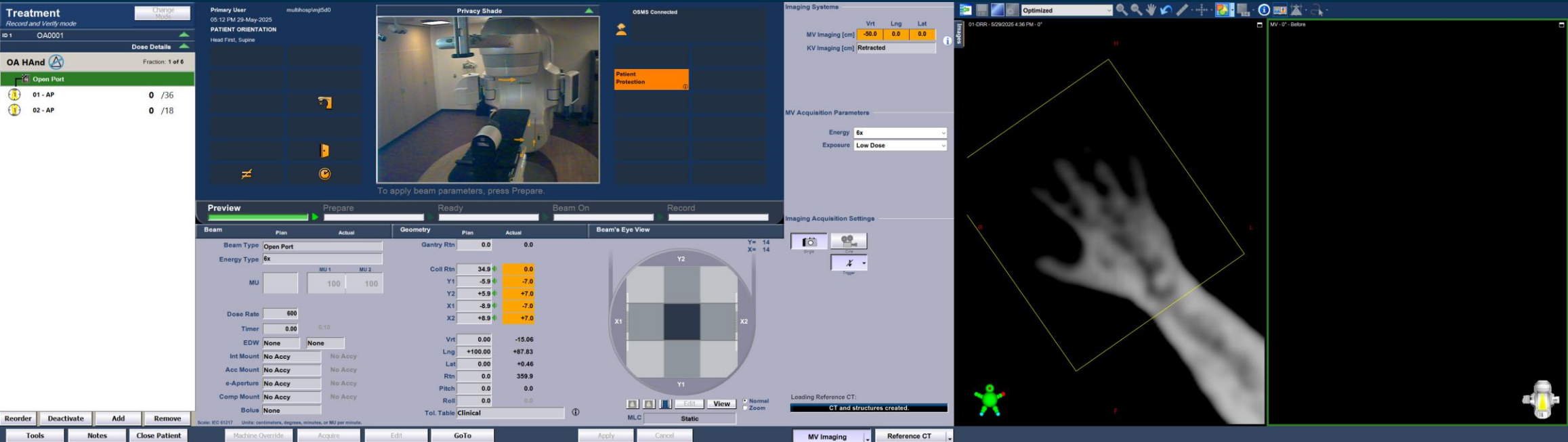
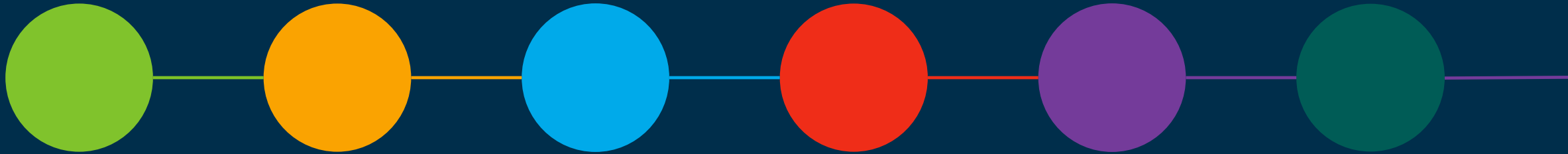


Image and deliver the treatment as planned using the synthetic CT.

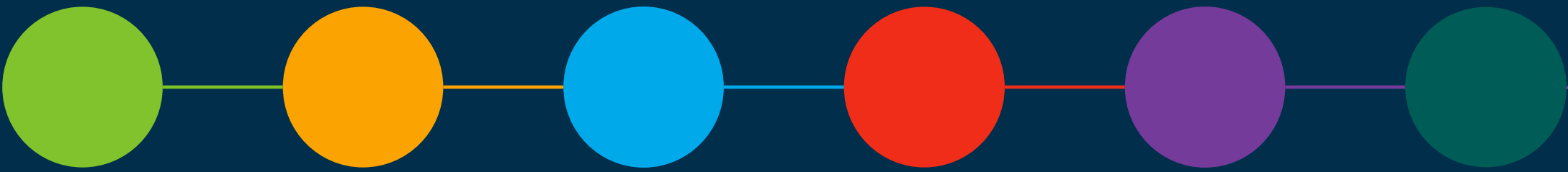


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Visualize the dose delivery using Cherenkov imaging.

# Sim – Plan – Treat – Dose - Document



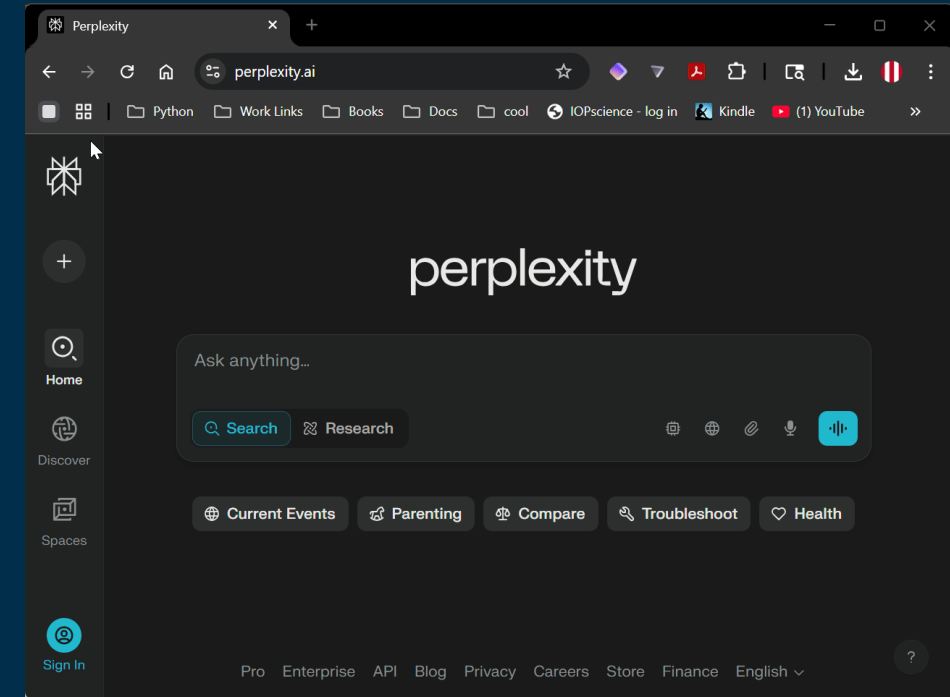
Document and review the treatment in the OIS (Offline Review) just like any other treatment.

# Are there any SGRT boundaries left to push?

Trend/Advancement	Impact on SGRT
AI and advanced imaging integration	Enhanced accuracy, adaptive therapy
Workflow automation	Reduced setup time, improved efficiency
Markerless, tattoo-free setup	Better patient experience
Real-time motion and dose monitoring	Increased safety, precision
Portable device proliferation	Greater accessibility
Expansion into new clinical areas	Broader application, personalized care

## In the future, SGRT is expected to enable:

- Biometric patient identification
- In-room scene mapping and augmented reality integration
- Broader use in adaptive radiotherapy protocols
- Real-time visualization of dose delivery
- Improved planning efficiency through vault geometry mapping
- Integration with advanced imaging and AI for adaptive, personalized radiotherapy
- Continued reduction in treatment times and further workflow automation



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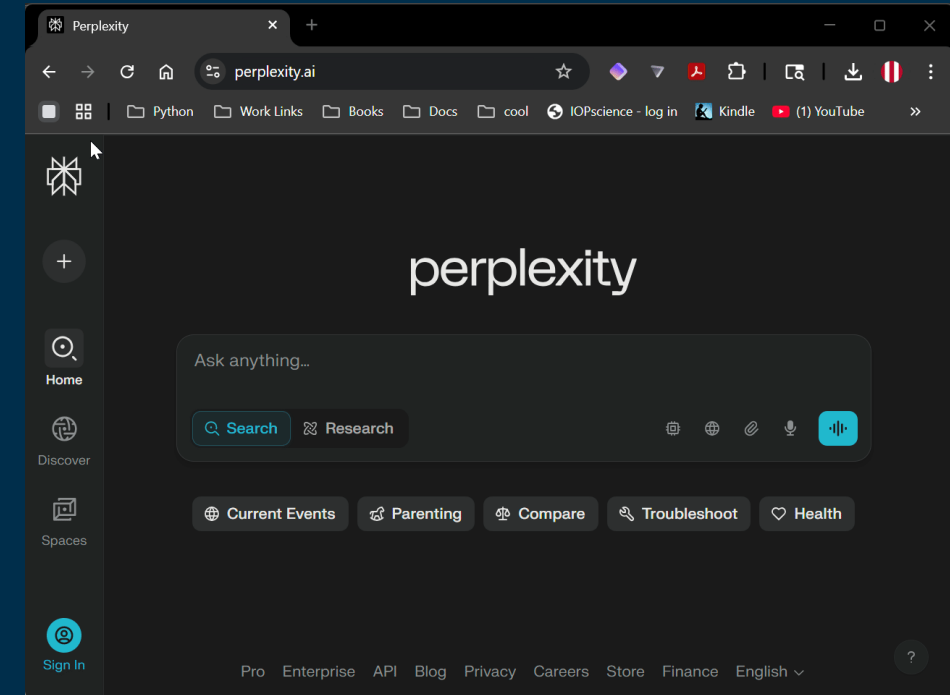


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