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Evaluation of RBE in protontherapy

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Context

Development of tools for biological effects calculation in 2D/3D cell populations

Last GATE meeting results and perspectives

- TEPCActor for the calculation of the lineal energy distribution at the micrometric scale
 - **Validated and available in GATE 8.0**
- Microkinetic model (MKM) for the estimation of cell survival/RBE
 - **Preliminary results for melanoma cancer cells in 2D/3D configurations**
 - **To be implemented in GATE**

MKM needs to be fed with measured biological data

Context

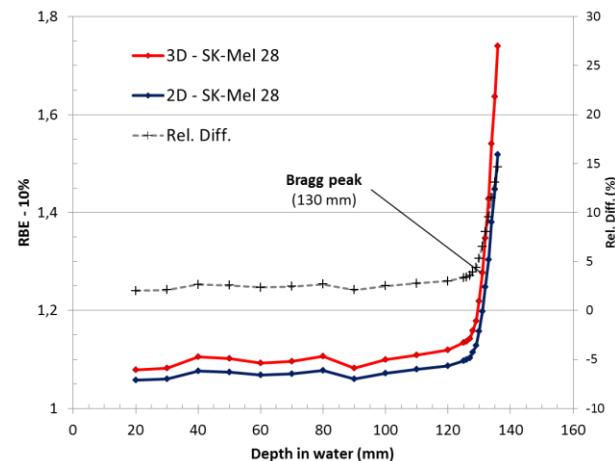
Microkinetic model – prediction of the RBE

- Based on physical data: **LET distribution** (TEPCActor)
- Based on biological data: measured **survival curves**
- Setting of the parameters using a low and a high LET radiation

Melanoma cancer cells (SK-Mel 28) in 2D and 3D configurations (155 MeV protons)

- Only based on a low LET survival curves
(250 kV X-ray PAVIRMA platform)

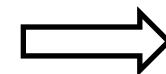
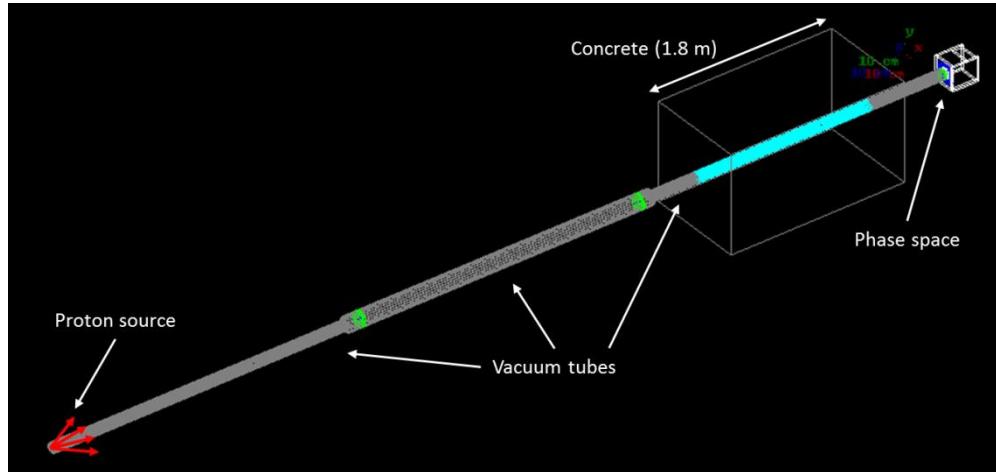
| | 2D | 3D | Rel. Diff. |
|-------|------|------|------------|
| Plat. | 1.07 | 1.09 | 2.4% |
| Peak | 1.16 | 1.22 | 5.3% |
| Max | 1.52 | 1.74 | 14.6% |



→ Collaboration with the centre Antoine Lacassagne (CAL) in order to measure the survival curves for 65 MeV protons

Simulation of the 65 MeV proton line (CAL, Nice)

1/ From the cyclotron to the treatment room

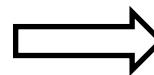
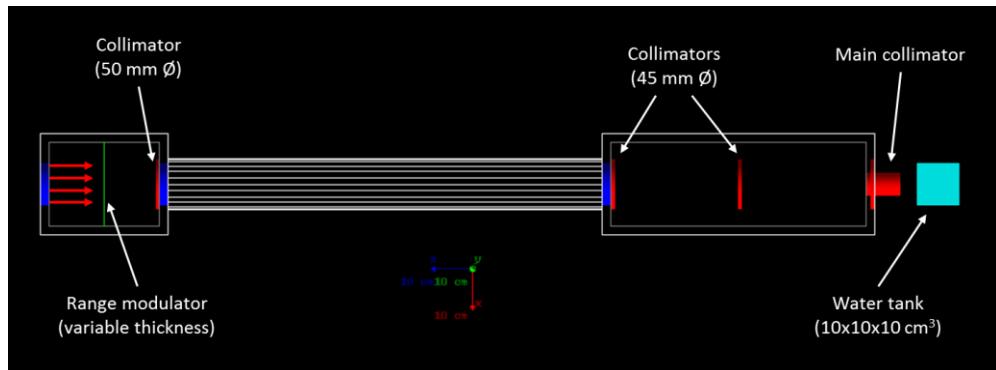


Phase space file at the entrance
of the optical bench

- Circle of 40 mm radius
- 2×10^8 particles (90 % of protons)
- Random angle option



2/ Through the optical bench



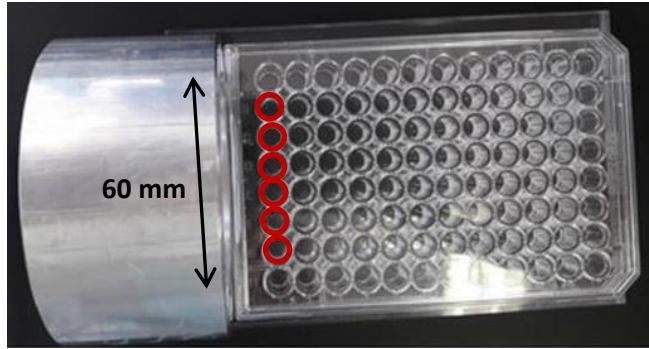
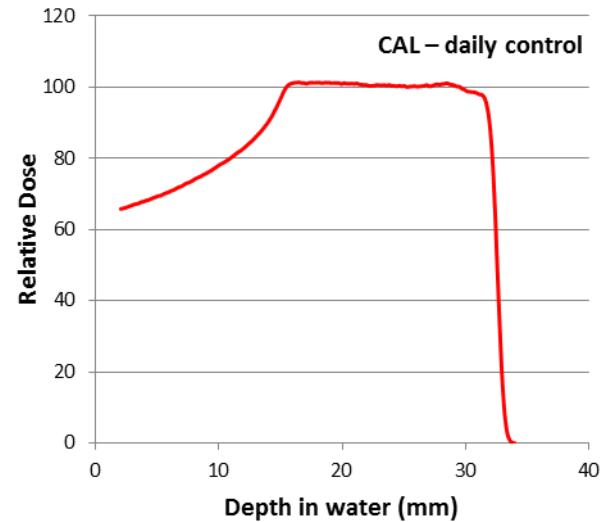
DoseActor/TEPCActor attached
to the experimental area



Experimental setting

First test of the irradiation protocol

- Spread-Out Bragg Peak (SOBP) of reference
- Range of 32 mm with a modulation of 16 mm
- Collimator 60 mm of diameter
- Prescription of 0, 1, 2, 5 and 10 Gy for the survival fraction
- Cell containers in the air in front of the collimator



3D configuration – spheroids in the first line of a 96-well plate



2D configuration – cells on the inner surface of a T25 flask

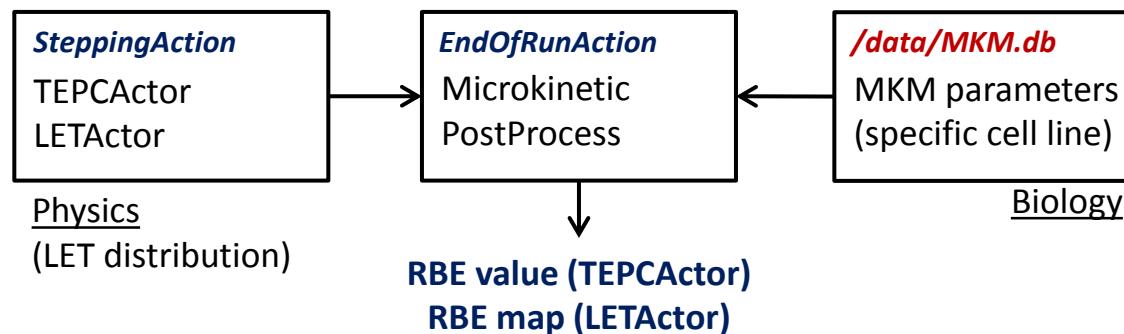
Perspectives

Measurement of SK-Mel 28 cell survival curves (in progress)

- Validation of the 65 MeV proton line simulations against daily control performed at the CAL
 - Monoenergetic peak of reference
 - SOBP of reference
- First irradiation of 2D and 3D cell configurations in june 2017
- Exploration of the survival fraction as a function of depth after september 2017

Microkinetic model in GATE (in progress)

- To be implemented as a 'PostProcess' actor



Thank you